

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Current Issues in Human Subject Protection; Public Meeting

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The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a national conference regarding issues in human research subject protection. Current regulatory issues, historical perspectives and future directions will be presented. Participants will have the opportunity to interact with senior Federal personnel and learn about developments in policy and regulations which affect the Institutional Review Board (IRB) system and the conduct of research involving human subjects.

*Date and Time:* The meeting will be held on March 5, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

*Location:* The meeting will be held at Natcher Auditorium, National Institutes of Health Campus, Bldg. 45, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD.

*Contact:* Paul W. Goebel, Office of Health Affairs (HFY-20), Food and Drug Administration, rm. 15-22, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1685, FAX 301-443-0232, or e-mail "pgoebel@oc.fda.gov".

*Registration:* Pre-registration is not required; however, for conference planning purposes, those who plan to attend are requested to fax or e-mail their registration information (including name, firm name, address, phone, fax number, and e-mail) to Glen Drew, FAX 301-443-0232, e-mail "gdrew@oc.fda.gov" or call Paul Goebel, Paula Waterman, or Glen Drew at 301-827-1685. There is no fee for attending the conference, and it is open to all. The agenda and background material are available on FDA's internet site at "<http://www.fda.gov/oc/oha/irbagenda.htm>".

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Paul Goebel at least 7 days in advance.

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William K. Hubbard  
Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination

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