

**Chapter 1 : Ethical and Policy Issues in Research Involving Human Participants - Volume II**

*SUBSTANTIVE REPORT FOR ( November , on region-specific policy issues related to the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and its follow-up.*

Audio Transcript The challenges involved in managing your partnership will typically fall into two categories—substantive issues and relationship issues. Organizations tend to carefully consider substantive issues, such as budgets or administrative arrangements. But few pay adequate attention to a major cause of partnership failure—relationship issues, such as the inability to resolve conflict. The key, of course, is for partnerships to focus on both types of issues. Successful partnerships select someone to serve as a dedicated partnership manager. A partnership manager might support healthy relationships by coordinating communication between partners, ensuring adherence to norms and collaboration processes, spotting potential conflicts, mediating disputes, and tracking the health of the working relationship over time. All partnerships need an ongoing process to monitor both substantive and relationship issues. Broad evaluation questions might include: Is the partnership meeting its aims and objectives? How well is it performing? There are various challenges to sustaining effective partnerships. It helps to anticipate potential barriers to working effectively with your partners. Some barriers are substantive, which means they involve financial, strategic, or technical issues. Other challenges are relationship-oriented. These issues might relate to leader compatibility, degree of trust, joint problem-solving capacity, or conflict resolution ability. Other challenges that partnerships may face include turf battles among stakeholders, clashes between different organizational cultures, rigid policies regarding intellectual property, disputes over private sector engagement, inappropriate staffing and role assignments, the ups and downs of community politics, and member burnout. As the partnership evolves, partners must identify whatever barriers exist and work together to resolve them. Effective partnerships use monitoring and evaluation processes. Partnerships need to create methods for evaluating and revising aims and objectives. This means providing opportunities to learn what has been successful and what has not and to build these lessons into revised plans. Formal performance management processes, such as clarifying performance expectations and providing feedback, also contribute to partnership monitoring and evaluation. This helps identify simmering conflict, negative perceptions, or relationship risks, which can then be constructively addressed before they undercut the partnership. Monitoring and evaluation also helps partners anticipate changes that may affect the partnership so they can collaboratively plan for the implications of such change. For instance, this helps the partnership to: [Click this link to download the Evaluation Checklist.](#) You need Adobe Flash Player to view some content on this site.

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Commissioned Paper Donald Chalmers University of Tasmania A-1 Preface Australia has had a comparatively creditable record of ethical research involving humans. The litany of criticism about shoddy medical research documented in the epochal article by Professor Beecher Beecher, ; Levine has not occurred in this country. Comparatively fine as the Australian record may be, that record is not unblemished. A report commissioned by the Commonwealth Government in by Professor Margaret Allars into unsatisfactory aspects of the collection, manufacture, and injection of human growth hormone Allars recommended that aspects of the research structure had to be reassessed. Research and experimentation has been a major issue, at least for the research community, in the last two decades in Australia. This wide debate has translated into debate about the protection of subjects in medical research Laufer ; Darvall, its major focus being the maintenance and improvement of ethical standards. This focus of concern is reflected in much of the work of the peak national health ethics body, the AHEC. In particular, the AHEC has conducted two series of National Workshops for Institutional Ethics Committees, a major review of the ethics review system in Australia Chalmers, and a major revision of the guidelines on research ethics published as the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans in mid National Statement Ethical standards in human research and experimentation have not been static. The Australian research ethics community conducted a debate on improving and professionalizing the ethics review system during the late s and s. Researchers, institutions, trial sponsors, academic and professional critics, and changing attitudes to accountability have all contributed to an improvement in the practices and culture of research involving humans in this country. The Australian research ethics review system continues to evolve. The system could be described as a hybrid or intermediate system in contradistinction to entirely legislatively regulated systems or voluntary self-regulated models. There is no Australian equivalent of the National Research Act However, there is greater regulation of the system since the pre Australian voluntary system. In this major respect, research ethics review in Australia is not a voluntary system; it is better classified now as a regulated system. Congress in the early s. Disclosures were made particularly about dubious research conducted in prisons and mental hospitals and on human fetuses. Following these events, the National Research Act was introduced which required each institution conducting federally supported research involving human subjects to establish an IRB. These IRBs are required to review the ethical aspects of all research protocols within the institution. The general standards for the composition, operation, and responsibility of IRBs are contained in federal regulations Code of Federal Regulations In order to fulfill the requirements of the federal regulations, each IRB is required to follow written procedures for the conduct of initial and continuing review of research and for reporting findings and actions to the investigator and the institution. An IRB determines which projects require review more often than annually and which projects need verification from sources other than the investigator. Changes in approved research may not be initiated without IRB review and approval, except where there are apparent immediate hazards to the human subjects. In addition to reporting to the IRB, there are other safeguards in the system. Both institutional officials and the Food and Drug Administration FDA must be told of any unanticipated problems involving risks to human subjects or others. Similarly, any instance of serious or continuing noncompliance with federal regulations or the decisions of the IRB or any suspension or termination of IRB approval must be reported to the institution or FDA. There are IRB procedural requirements aimed at ensuring proper consideration of the research. Except when an expedited review procedure is used, a research proposal must be reviewed by a majority of the members of the IRB. On review, at least one of the IRB members must be primarily concerned with nonscientific areas, and the proposal must receive the approval of a majority of those members present at the meeting. Ethics Committees in the USA include the following roles: Advising doctors and family on decisions about withdrawing life support treatment; Providing advice on withholding treatment from newborn infants with birth defects; Making policy

through drafting guidelines for hospital personnel on controversial areas of medical practice; Providing education through the organization of seminars on areas of controversy; and Providing advice on specific ethical dilemmas in the treatment of specific patients. In effect, American Ethics Committees are patient care committees and are often referred to by this title. A-4 The growth of ethics committees has followed diverse paths, and a number of other ethics committees have been established beyond the terms of the Department of Health Circular Guidelines Rawbone Brazier particularly notes that a number of fertility units have established advisory committees to assist practitioners in making decisions about the admission of individual patients to the program Brazier This report presents background information on the ethics review system in this country, defines the current ethical system, and provides some background information on the new National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans. What are the strengths and weaknesses of nonregulatory systems of protection? What features of these systems, if any, should be incorporated in the U. What are the strengths and weaknesses of models that are comprehensive, those that encompass private and government sectors, and nonbiomedical and biomedical research? Researchers are also required to design their protocols to ensure respect for the dignity and well-being of the participants Principle 1. Researchers should not discriminate in the distribution of benefits and burdens of participation in research or in the selection of research participants Principle 1. Researchers have great responsibility in ensuring participant consent is obtained Principles 1. Researchers must conduct research that has merit and balance the risks and likely benefits to be gained. Only people with the required experience, qualifications, and competence should conduct the research Principles 1. These General Principles are bolstered throughout the National Statement with specific contextual duties of researchers to research participants in relation to the project. For example, in a clinical trial the researcher must declare any conflicts of interest through involvement in business or other similar association Principle It was a deliberate policy in drafting the National Statement to recognize and reinforce the ethical responsibilities of researchers. IRBs established under federal regulations. Some HRECs were already operating before the system was formally established in by amendments to the Statement on Human Experimentation. Although HRECs are not statutory bodies, institutions cannot receive research funding from public bodies unless consideration had been given to the research proposal by a properly constituted HREC. Originally, HRECs only considered medical and health research projects. Later, the Australian Research Council ARC the major funding agency for nonmedical research introduced a similar requirement that, in effect, expanded the jurisdiction of HRECs to all research involving humans. The third level in the system is the AHEC. In addition, the AHEC has the sole authority to publish medical research guidelines. Changes in the Research Environment The National Statement reflects a number of significant changes in the ethics of human research. First, the National Statement includes a wider and more comprehensive view about research involving humans, going beyond medical experimentation and extending to all research involving humans. The first Australian guidelines in relation to research, the Statement on Human Experimentation, followed the Declaration of Helsinki and applied ethical standards to medical research involving human subjects. Gradually, the Statement on Human Experimentation was applied not only to medical research but other research involving humans particularly in the social and behavioral sciences. The new National Statement recognizes this evolution. Third, legislation is now more common place in the once self-regulated area of research ethics. Increasingly, Commonwealth and State legislation is impacting on and becoming more relevant to any consideration of research ethics. The regulation of Australian research is no longer a voluntary regulatory system of protection for research participants. Many Commonwealth and State Acts apply directly or indirectly to research. Fourth, in a number of countries there have been efforts to identify a better definitional understanding of what is meant by research. The National Statement notes that: There are many definitions of research. These include a systematic investigation to establish facts, principles or knowledge a study of some matter with the objective of obtaining and confirming knowledge. A defining feature of research is the validity of its results. An alternative approach to finding a definition of research is to list examples for what constitutes research, such as: A-6 It is accepted that it is difficult to find an agreed-upon definition of research. The definitional problem of research has been considered seriously in Australia. The issue of the appropriate boundary between research and innovative

therapy in practice arose in the inquiry conducted by Professor Margaret Allars in relation to innovative hormone treatment Allars ; Giesen Fifth, debates about the protection of subjects in research have expanded from concerns about physical protection to modern concerns about personal information privacy. Public concern about individual privacy is a major emerging challenge. Moves to store medical records on computer rather than hard copy have increased fears that privacy will be threatened. In respect of privacy, the federal Privacy Act Cth. The Privacy Commissioner has also extended the protections available to individuals in relation to their personal information held in the public sector under the Privacy Act Cth. Sixth, peer review and declining funding to research generally and medical research in particular cannot be discounted as an influence on changing research culture. It is far more difficult to obtain research funding. Finally, moves to encourage private industry to contribute more funds to national research efforts, particularly in the area of genetics, has introduced increasing commercial considerations into the research environment. All of these developments are leading to a more regulatory environment in Australia but still without specific legislation for the HRECs. All public research-funding bodies require ethics approval before research can be undertaken. Finally, although private institutions and organizations are not obliged to follow NHMRC guidelines, there is a high degree of voluntary compliance on the part of private research organizations. A Brief Background to the Development of Ethical Review in Australia A brief background is presented of the developments leading to the current system of ethical review in Australia. The primary purpose for the introduction of both codes of research practice and committees to review research has been and remains the protection of the welfare and rights of participants in research. It is axiomatic that the foundation of any system of ethical protection for the welfare and rights of participants depends on the integrity of the researchers themselves. The new Australian National Statement recognizes the centrality of the researcher as the first level of review. The National Statement states that: The guiding value for researchers is integrity, which is expressed in a commitment to the search for knowledge, to recognize principles of research conduct and the honest and ethical conduct of research and dissemination and communication of results. When conducting research involving humans, the guiding ethical principle for researchers is respect for persons which is expressed as regard for the welfare, rights, beliefs, protections, customs and cultural heritage both individual and collective, or persons involved in research. Ethics review committees conduct the second level of review. These were gradually introduced during the s and formally so in the s. HRECs grant ethical approval to researchers for their research and, in so doing, aim to protect the welfare and rights of research participants. However, they are not funded to or capable of acting as a policing agency for the work of researchers Chalmers and Pettit Finally, in the early s Australia introduced a third level, with the establishment of a national bioethics committee, the AHEC. Australia ratified the Declaration of Helsinki in This was an important symbolic act that was later realized by the introduction of committees to review the ethical aspects of research experiments on humans. During the same decade, there was awareness of the concerns for ethical standards in the United States, but it is not clear how far this awareness influenced developments toward the establishment of ethics committees to review research Editorial Some institutions in Australia already operated ethics committees in the s, and these influenced the development of the ethics review system.

### Chapter 3 : 6 - Partnership Challenges and Evaluation - Partnerships: Frameworks for Working Together

*Four experiments were conducted to investigate the implications of 'substantive' responses for the repair of trust following a violation and the cognitive processes that govern how and when they are effective.*

### Chapter 4 : AuditWatch University Level Taking the Next Step

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## Chapter 6 : Broken Trust (TV Series ) - IMDb

*#6 Considering all of the professional development activities in which you participated in the last 12 months (excluding pre-service training), in Column A, how many total hours, in any, have you spent in activities in which the following content areas were a major focus?*