

# HIPAA and Clinical Research

**All non-UH personnel involved with Clinical Research at University Hospitals are required to attend a one-hour live education session on HIPAA (the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) and how it relates to research.**

University Hospitals has developed a Credentialing Process for non-UH personnel to access UH protected Health Information (PHI) for clinical research. This credentialing process will allow:

- Access to protected health information for IRB-approved clinical research projects;
- A UH-based title (Research Faculty for Ph.D. researchers at CWRU or Research Associate for all others);
- A UH log-in and email account and
- Free access to UH-sponsored research training programs.

More details about the credentialing process can be found on the [Center for Clinical Research and Technology website](#). As part of the credentialing process, UH will be offering live training sessions on *HIPAA and Clinical Research* through April 2011. Please see below for a list of offerings and how to register.

**Who should attend:** All non-UH personnel who conduct or support clinical research. This includes: CWRU data managers, clinical research coordinators, regulatory coordinators, research administrators, etc.

**Why you need to attend:** Federal privacy protections under HIPAA apply to human participant research, in addition to the Common Rule and FDA regulations. You are required to understand how these regulations affect clinical research. This training will also outline UH's policies governing the privacy and security of PHI.

**What will be covered:** This live session builds upon the information contained within the Health Information Privacy and Security (HIPS) module from the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) online training program. In addition, this session will 1) provide a refresher of the HIPAA requirements for privacy and information security relating to research; 2) discuss the 2009 HITECH Act and 3) provide practical examples of how these laws affect research involving UH patient data.

**All non-UH personnel involved with clinical research at UH must complete this training by April 30, 2011.**

**To register for a session go to:** <http://ora.ra.cwrु.edu/research/orc/education/onlinecalendar.cfm> , select the session you would like to attend and click the 'Register' link.

## Upcoming Sessions

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, April 20, 2011	10-11 am	Wolstein Research Building Room 1413
Tuesday, April 26, 2011	3-4 pm	RB&C Amphitheater

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