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We will get started in just a few minutes  
after 12:00.

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IRB Efficiency Initiative (IRB EI) – Sept 24

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# **IRB Efficiency Initiative (EI)**

## **What's Next?**

- Consent Summary
  - Recap
  - Go Live
- ICH-GCP & CITI Update
- IRB Fee update
- HawkIRB application redesign
  - Recap – what's live now?
  - What's next?
  - What will change when?
- Communication and resources



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# **Consent Summary Recap**

# FDA & OHRP Draft Guidance

In 2024, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced draft guidance, “[Key Information and Facilitating Understanding in Informed Consent.](#)”



# Agency Consistency with Key Info

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When finalized, the guidance will add identical language from HHS regulation

[45 CFR 46.116\(a\)\(5\)\(i\)](#) to the

FDA regulation 21 CFR 50.20(e)(1).

[\(21st Century Cures Act](#) Harmonization  
requirement)

# Current OHRP Guidance

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## [45 CFR 46.116\(a\)\(5\)\(i\)](#)

“Informed consent must begin with a **concise** and **focused** presentation of the **key information** that is most likely to assist a prospective subject or legally authorized representative in understanding the **reasons** why one **might or might not want to participate** in the research. This part of the informed consent must be organized and presented in a way that **facilitates comprehension**.”

# Facilitating Comprehension

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# Innovative Ways to Present Information

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# Lay Language and Reading Level

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Most important points first.



Break down complex information.



Use simple language.



Define technical terms.

# Rollout and Application



**Go Live September 29<sup>th</sup>**



**Only applies to NEW projects**



**NEW: Consent Summary-Key  
Information Educational Tool**

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# **CITI-GCP Training Change**

# CITI-GCP Training Changes

## GCP ICH E6(R3) Announcement Summary

- As of July 23, 2025 CITI has updated their content.
- Newly registered users will get updated content.
- Existing users can recomplete the course to see the new content.
- Instructions on how to recomplete modules in CITI announcement.
- General CITI announcement sent to anyone enrolled in a GCP course.
- GCP FDA Basic and Refresher courses still refer to ICH E6(R2) as the U.S. [Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\) just recently \(9/8/25\) adopted E6\(R3\)](#) as guidance.

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# **IRB Fees: Changes Effective 11/1/25**

# IRB Fee Changes Effective 11/1/25

## IRB Fee Changes

- New IRB fees as of 11/1/25.
- Why: Increasing costs of doing business.
  - No changes since FY22 for sIRB fees.
  - No changes to other IRB fees since FY20.
- VAHCS IRB fees remain unchanged
- Will apply to grants or budgets submitted on or after 11/1/25
- IRB fees charged for industry sponsored research regardless of risk level.
- Unchanged:
  - F&A still applies per current [UI policy](#).
  - Method of invoicing remains unchanged.

# **HawkIRB Application Redesign Recap**

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**Recap – What's Live Now?**

**What's Next and What Will Change?**

# Phase I: HawkIRB Redesign Released August 16, 2025



## Section II: Study Team

Section II will only be UI team members



## sIRB Section: Multi Site research with Iowa as IRB of Record

Ability to capture relying institutions, organization, and individual details previously captured on PDFs.



## Section III.5: COI

New question If COI = yes, a brief description is now required.



## Section VII.A: sIRB details

Moving PDF information required for sIRB relationship to HawkIRB



## Section X: Privacy, Confidentiality and Security

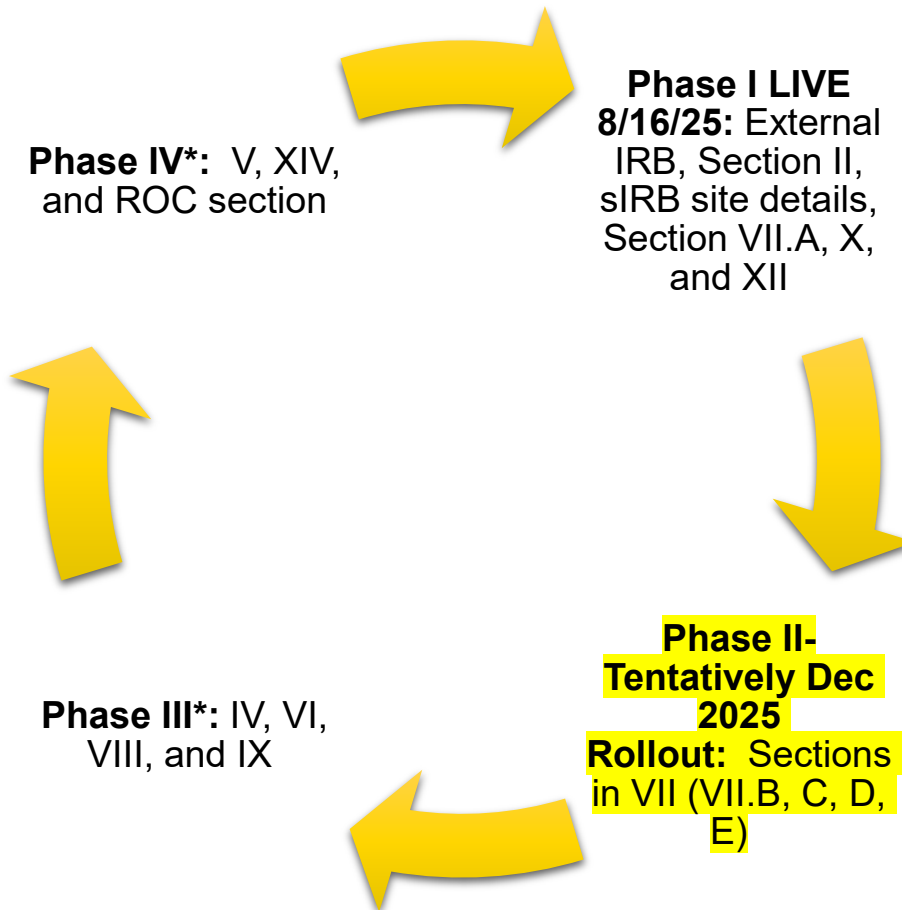
Clarify how and where research data, specimens and materials are stored



## Section XII: Future Use

Add detail regarding DMSP requirements (NIH funding)

# Next Set of Changes\*



\*Later section work is subject to change.

# Phase II: HawkIRB Redesign

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**VII.D: Informed  
Consent &  
Recruitment Plans  
(impact all IRBs\*)**

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**VII.E: Study  
Design,  
Procedures &  
Compensation  
(impact all IRBs\*)**

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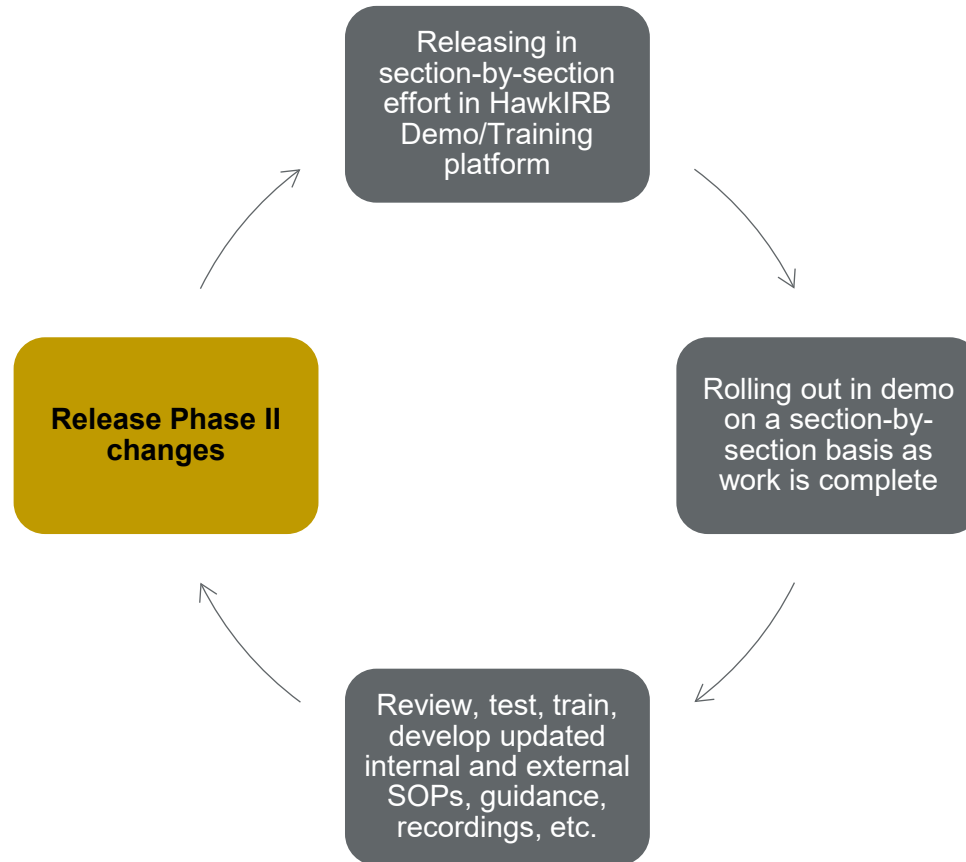
**VII.C: Genetic  
Testing (impact  
IRB-01 & 03 only)**

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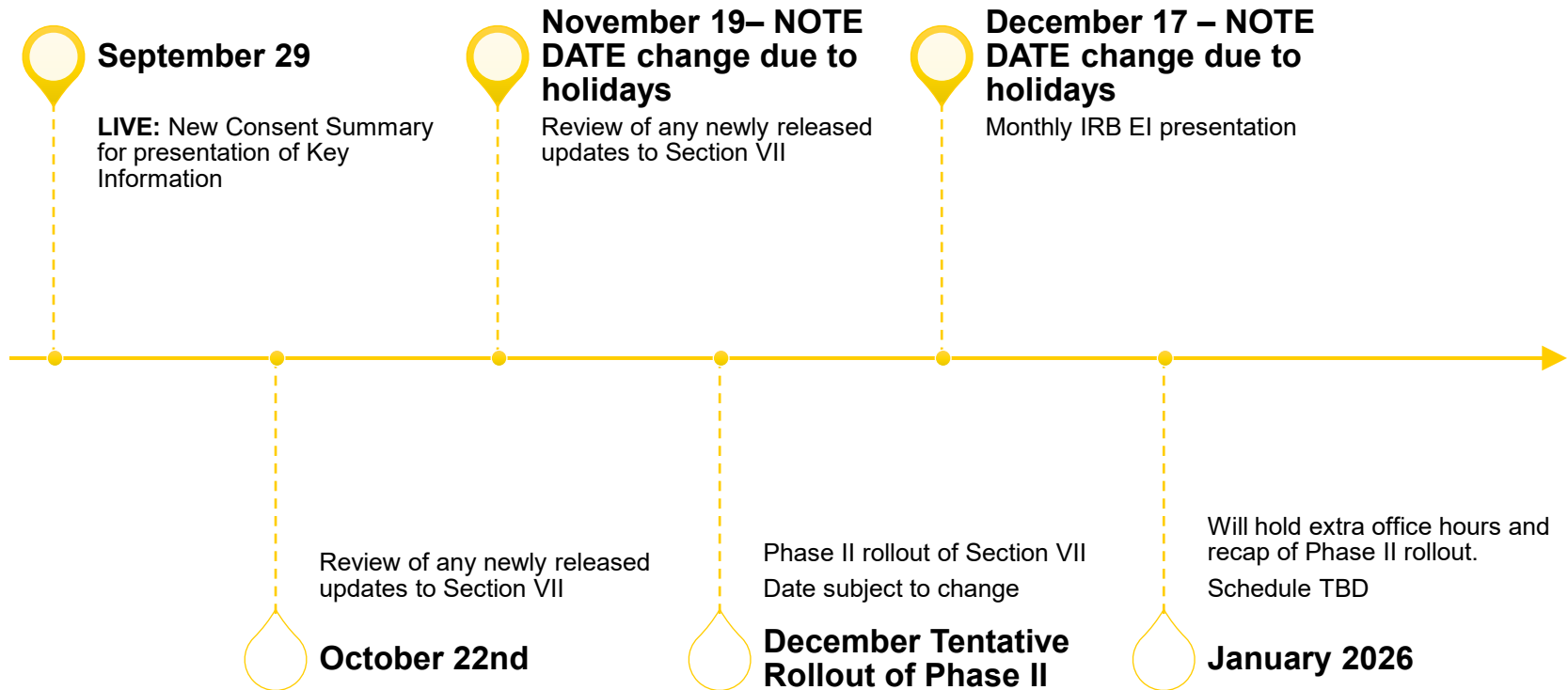
**VII.B: Study Design  
(impact IRB-01 &  
03 only)**

\* External IRB submission forms will have limited impact

# What Happens Before Changes Go Live?



# Timeline for HawkIRB Redesign: Phase II





# **IRB EI Communication & Resources**

# IRB Efficiency Initiative Communication Plan

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OVPR Campus Initiatives: [IRB Efficiency Initiative](#)



[HSO Website](#) contains specific how to and policy information

[Learn More>IRB Efficiency Initiative](#)



IRB Connection Newsletter



Fourth Wednesday of every month 12-1, educational presentations\*



[Short How-To Videos:](#)  
Short videos covering IRB EI and HawkIRB Changes

\*Note changes in schedule for holidays

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# Questions?

Human Subjects Office/Institutional Review Board



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# Thank you!

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