



Research
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Important Information for Researchers

***New* RITHIM Website Updates**

As of April 27, 2022, all information and forms related to provincial health research privacy review have been moved to the RITHIM website under the [Privacy \(PHRPC\) menu](#). Researchers are strongly encouraged to bookmark the new site and check back often for updates.

***New* Updated Provincial Health Research Privacy Committee (PHRPC) Application Form**

In response to feedback from the committee and the research community, the PHRPC Application Form has been updated. The new form, dated April 2022, can be found [here](#).

Please use the new form going forward. Old versions of the form will no longer be accepted as of **June 7, 2022**. The updated form incorporates a few new key questions which will provide clarity to both researchers and the committee on (i) whether their project requires PHRPC review and (ii) data security considerations.

***New* PHRPC Policy Update - Data Requirements**

PHRPC can now approve the use of data for the length of a project, up to a maximum of 5 years, at which time the project must be reviewed by PHRPC. Amendments will no longer be required for adding new years of data if the data requested and the scope of the data to be used does not change.

***Reminder* - HIPC Applications That Have Received Conditional Approval**

For all applications that received conditional approval from the HIPC committee prior to January 1, 2022, applicants have one year from the date of the conditional approval to resubmit to the HIPC for review. If the requested information is not submitted within this time period, a new application will need to be submitted to the PHRPC. Please email the pending documents and responses to conditional approval letter to HIPC@gov.mb.ca for review and full approval.

***Reminder* - Amendments to Research Projects Approved by HIPC**

Any proposed changes to a research project that was approved by the HIPC must be reported to the PHRPC for review and approval in advance of its implementation. For more information, and to find the amendment form, please visit the [RITHIM](#) website.