Section 1: About Vulnerable Populations

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign IRB ensures that additional safeguards are included in the research design to protect the rights and welfare of research participants who have limited autonomy and are at risk for coercion and undue influence.

Learn more at:

* <https://oprs.research.illinois.edu/forms-templates/guidance/guidance-research-involving-pregnant-women-fetuses>
* <https://oprs.research.illinois.edu/forms-templates/guidance/guidance-research-involving-prisoners>
* <https://oprs.research.illinois.edu/forms-templates/guidance/guidance-research-involving-neonates>
* <https://oprs.research.illinois.edu/forms-templates/guidance/guidance-research-involving-economically-or-educationally-disadvantaged>
* <https://oprs.research.illinois.edu/vulnerable-populations/vulnerable-populations>

Section 2: When to Use This Form

Please fill out this form if you will be studying defined vulnerable population(s). If you answered “yes” to 7.2. or 7.3 in the New Study Application, you will need to complete this form.

If you will be studying defined vulnerable population(s), and if you did not yet select yes in Section 7.2 of the New Study Application, please update the appropriate New Study Application sections and then complete this form.

Review the **New Study** form under sections 7.2 and 7.3 for more information.

Section 3: Protocol Information:

Please complete the information below.

1) Principal Investigator:

Please enter the names of the PI’s.

2) Protocol Number:

Please enter the Protocol number. (If this is a new study application, the protocol number will be assigned and completed by OPRS once the application is submitted.)

3) Project Title:

Please enter the Project Title.

Section 4: Vulnerable Populations - Questions:

Please answer the questions below:

1) How does the nature of the research require or justify using the proposed subject population?

Please explain below:

Click or tap here to enter text.

2) Would it be possible to conduct the study with other, less vulnerable subjects?

Please answer yes or no.

Yes  No

If Yes, please justify the inclusion of vulnerable subjects below:

Click or tap here to enter text.

3) Is this population being included primarily for the convenience of the researcher?

Please answer yes or no.

Yes  No

If yes, explain why:

Click or tap here to enter text.

4) Does the scientific merit of the study warrant the inclusion of subjects who may either be susceptible to pressure or who are already burdened?

Please answer yes or no.

Yes  No