



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**DATE:**

**FROM:**

VA FACILITY NAME

**TO:**

COMMERCIAL IRB NAME

**LOCAL PROJECT # / IRBNET #:**

**PROJECT TITLE:**

ENTER COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE

**VA FACILITY PI:**

VA FACILITY PI NAME AND DEGREE

**SUBJECT: VA Facility Endorsement for Commercial IRB Submission**

This cooperative research project may be conducted by this VA Facility pending approvals of all applicable reviewing committees and subcommittees. The VA Facility's research office has confirmed that neither the VA nor the VA NPC is contracting directly for IRB review services for the project.

I have verified that the preliminary privacy and information system security reviews have been completed. The VA Investigator has included applicable VA required language or Common Rule requirements in the informed consent document (ICD) with the VA required HIPAA authorization for research language if combined with the ICD. The VA Investigator specified in this memorandum may proceed with the submission of the research project to the commercial IRB for review.

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ACOS/R&D or AO/R&D (or designee)

VA Facility Signature/E-Signature

Printed Name