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UM/JHS Master Research Collaboration Agreement and New Process

The University of Miami and the Jackson Health System have signed a Master Research Collaboration Agreement (MCRA) which outlines a new process for the initiation of funded research projects involving use of the JHS' facilities and resources. The agreement and [new process](#) are a culmination of years of discussion and negotiation to identify an improved and expedient way to initiate research projects where services will be rendered at JHS, while also ensuring financial responsibility and compliance benefitting UM, JHS and our external sponsors. The MCRA applies to all research study types involving all external funding sponsors and eliminates the need for 3-party research agreements with UM, JHS and our external sponsors. Instead, once UM and the external sponsor agreement is executed/received, a 2-page Work Order will be prepared by the Office of Research Administration (ORA) and provided to JHS for execution. Once the Work Order is fully executed, JHS services may be rendered and facilities utilized.

As of May 1, 2017, if a Principal Investigator (PI) anticipates use of JHS' facilities and resources, the PI should contact the JHS CTO Office to ensure all JHS costs are incorporated within the proposal submission. Additionally, if a PI anticipates initiating a contract involving JHS' facilities and resources, PI should submit the project to ORA with all [needed documents](#), including the JHS CTO Application and Study Calendar documents, via ORA's submission inbox (cris@med.miami.edu). For both Proposal and Contract packages, a [PCRFL](#) should clearly note the anticipation of JHS involvement. Once ORA conducts its' review, ORA will provide all necessary documents to JHS for their review.

If there are any questions related to this new process, please contact Stewart MacIntyre at dmacintyre@med.miami.edu (305-284-3875).

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