



# IRB 360 NEWSLETTER


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## HBRA UPDATES TO RESEARCH AGREEMENT TEMPLATES

Conducting research that involve a: **Project Agreement (PA)** with Public Sector Organisations; or **Research Collaboration Agreement (RCA)** with Industry/Companies or Research Institutes?

In collaboration with LSO (Legal and Secretarial Office), **NTU's Research Agreement Templates have been updated** with additional clauses to facilitate further compliance to HBRA's requirements.

### Summary of Updates | Responsibilities of Collaborative Parties



Click [HERE](#) to find the latest updated template agreements on ServiceNow.

The appointment of a "**Lead RI**" and "**Common IRB**".

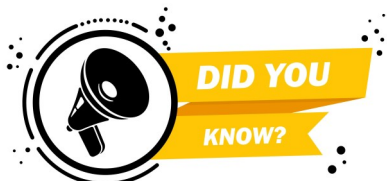
If there is a change in the Lead RI, the Lead RI must also **inform MOH of the identity of the substitute Lead RI** in its notification.

The Lead RI **must notify MOH within 30 days** if it ceases to be the Lead RI.

Each Project Party is **severally responsible** to comply with the HBRA requirements even after the Lead RI has notified MOH on its cessation as the Lead RI.

### Material Transfer Agreement Template

#### Supplying/Transferring/Providing/Exporting Human Biological Materials for Research?



Regardless of whether the tissue is individually-identifiable or non-identifiable, under HBRA, **documentary evidence\* must be provided by the receiving party.**

*\*The receiving party must ensure that the intended use of the tissue is in accordance with any restrictions/conditions of the donors' appropriate consent.*

To fulfil HBRA's requirement for "**documentary evidence**", use the latest Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) template provided by LSO. The MTA **must** be signed by the recipient, in addition to the institutional signatory.

For more details, refer to NTU-IRB's Guidelines for "[Exporting and Supplying of HBM](#)".



Click [HERE](#) to find the latest MTA template from LSO.

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