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RESEARCH PAYMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

RESEARCH PAYMENT CATEGORIES:



REIMBURSEMENT
for Out-of-Pocket
Expenses



COMPENSATION
for Time & Effort



INCENTIVES
to Encourage Subject
Recruitment & Retention



**Incentives are generally
not encouraged**



HOW MUCH TO PAY?

Payments should be reasonable, and commensurate with the study's risks and time/effort required, and not be excessive that it creates undue influence on a person's decision to participate.

Undue Influence occurs when the payment affects a person's better judgement, causing them to take risks they would not have otherwise, or participate in activities that contradict their values, beliefs, or interests.



PARTIAL/ VARIABLE PAYMENT SCHEDULES



For studies involving extensive participation and/or multiple visits, PIs should consider **pro-rated or partial payments** for each visit.

The **type of payment** (e.g. cash or voucher) should also be clearly communicated to participants in the informed consent form to avoid disputes.



For more guidance on appropriate research payments, visit our website [here](#)

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