



Office of Research and Graduate Studies

Research Continuity Planning

In an effort to minimize the risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19 in human participant research interactions, and to preserve personal protective equipment for clinical care, the University is advising restrictions on human subjects research effective Friday, March 20 and continuing through May 1. We will continue to re-evaluate this timeframe.

In addition, all Principal Investigators and Faculty Supervisors should evaluate each active research project they are leading/supervising and develop project-specific plans for continuity of the research.

See the [TRU Research Advisory, with Guidelines on Research Continuity Planning](#) for up-to-date information on research planning.

Checklist for Individual Project-Specific Research Continuity Plans

To be completed and returned to the Research Office and the Office Community Safety and Emergency Management (Attention: [Dr. Anita Sharma](#) and [Stacey Jyyrkanen](#))

Checklist Due March 23, 2020

Principal Investigator		
Department		
Title of research project		
Number of research staff and students		
Funding source (if applicable)		
Brief description of the project		
Synopsis of modified research plan (i.e., changes to work spaces, REB approval, travel, communications)	Continuity of research activities changed until 1 May 2020 in accord with the TRU Research Advisory.	Y/N



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	Change from on-site visits to home visits or telephone/virtual visits	Y/N
	Contact the Director of Partnership Development, Engagement, and Enterprise Creation (contracts); the Research Office Grants Development Officer (grants); and Manager of Research Services for cost/charge/effort considerations on sponsored projects	Y/N
	Change to alternative facility so is appropriate for social distancing	Y/N
	Change to use of research space, equipment, and university facilities due to limited or paused access	Y/N
	Changes to research project team and staff	Y/N
	Implementation of social distancing when moving between research site locations	Y/N
	Changes to research interventions in current locations per TRU advisory and REB policies	Y/N
	Orderly withdrawal of subjects if indicated or necessary	Y/N
	Can accommodate substantive delays in the ability of the researcher, research team and/or participant to complete research project procedures	Y/N
	Communication plan in place	Y/N
	Restrictions or accommodations associated with community recruitment of participants (in the event the study remains open for recruitment)	Y/N

The PART TWO request for a detailed research continuity plan will be sent to you by the Research Office (on behalf of TRU's Community Safety and Emergency Management) and is due on April 27, 2020.