

Research Ethics Board (REB) Recruitment of Community Members



Join Our Team!

Are you interested in a unique experience in the area of research ethics? The Yukon University (YukonU) Research Ethics Board (REB) is currently seeking interested individuals to serve as community members of the Board. This is a great opportunity to learn about research studies that are taking place in our community, develop research ethics expertise, and contribute to protecting the rights, safety and welfare of research participants.

About our REB

The REB is a body established by the University to protect the rights and welfare of human research participants. As an independent body, the REB ensures that all research involving human participants meets current ethical requirements and comply with the applicable standards, guidelines and policies as they relate to the ethical conduct of research.

Who is a community member and what qualifications are needed?

Members of the REB are volunteers who are committed to ensuring that the research involving YukonU is done in an ethical manner. Community members are essential to help broaden the perspective and value base of the REB, and thus advance dialogue with and accountability to, Yukon communities.

Community members are:

- Individuals should not have any current or recent affiliations with Yukon University (TCPS2 Article 6.4). Current or recent students or employees are not eligible to serve as community member position.
- Individuals can have a wide range of backgrounds, but should not be involved in research or legal work as their principal occupation.
- They should have a willingness to learn and work with a team to foster ethical research practices.

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- Someone with previous experience as a research participant would be an asset, but no previous experience is necessary.
- Willing to become knowledgeable about and apply research ethics standards/best practices to research conducted at Yukon University
- Access to a computer and the internet, and be able to read and communicate through online platforms.

What is required?

- Commit time for board meetings, including meeting preparation time. Members must participate in 10 meetings that are held once each month, either face-to-face or virtually. Meetings are generally 1-2 hours in length. The time needed for reviewing materials for meetings can vary depending on the number, content and complexity of the submissions, but is usually 3-5 hours per month. Total time commitment is approximately 5-8 hours per month. Members may also be asked to assist the REB Co-Chairs in reviewing minimal risk research studies outside the monthly meeting.
- Training: Complete onboarding training, which includes completing the research ethics tutorial ([TCPS2: CORE 2022](#)). The tutorial takes approximately 3-5 hours with a Certificate provided once completed. You should also review the [REB Standard Operating Procedures \(SOPs\)](#).
- Review the [Tri- Council Policy Statement Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans TCPS2 \(2022\)](#)

How to Apply

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email an expression of interest letter and provide a few details about your background to Valoree Walker, Research Ethics Coordinator vwalker@yukonu.ca

More details about the REB can be found on the YukonU website
<https://www.yukonu.ca/research/our-services/research-ethics>

Posting will be open until positions filled.