

IRB Fee Schedule Review:

Fee Increases May Affect Your 2025 Project Budgets

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The IPA IRB team is conducting a review of all fees charged for IRB reviews, with plans to implement *fee increases effective January 1, 2025*.

Background: These changes are necessary to account for increased costs in operating the IRB while maintaining our commitment to review quality and responsiveness. This will be the first IRB fee revision since October 2020. We are sharing this update now to allow staff to budget accordingly for any submissions planned for 2025 and beyond.

Comment Period: We welcome input/comments from all stakeholders from October 20 to November 20. Any staff with questions or concerns are invited to email humansubjects@poverty-action.org or join <u>IPA IRB's office hours</u> held every Wednesday at 10am EST.

Impact on Existing Projects: At this time, we expect that the new fees will apply to <u>all projects</u> regardless of start date. However, we recognize that this may pose challenges for ongoing studies that have already budgeted according to the current fee structure. We are exploring options to address this concern and welcome your input during the comment period.

Thank you for your attention and collaboration as we work to support your projects through IRB review.