

# Waiver of Appropriate Consent Requirements – [Section 6, HBRA](#)

IRBs can waive :

❖ **The requirement for appropriate consent-taking.** General criteria for waiver

- *The research cannot be reasonably carried out without the use of the HBM/ HI in the individually identifiable form*
- *The process of obtaining consent from the research subjects will involve a disproportionate amount of effort and resources*
- *The research involves no more than minimal risk to the research subject*
- *The waiver will not otherwise adversely affect the rights and welfare of the research subjects*
- *The research would reasonably be considered to contribute to the greater public good*

Special criteria apply for waiver of consent in emergency research.

❖ **The requirement for the consent to be in writing**

*The criteria for different waiver situations are listed in [Fifth Schedule, HBRA](#)*