



# **NJ ACTS**

## **Scientific Review Board & Regulatory Support Office**



**Rutgers Institute  
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# Scientific Review Board

## **Mission:**

To evaluate the scientific merit and quality of clinical studies across Rutgers Health. To assist investigators with the preparation of protocols for scientific rigor, transparency, and clarity.

## **SRB Criteria For Review:**

- Principal Investigator is a Rutgers Health faculty member outside of CINJ
- Rutgers Health investigator-initiated protocol (i.e., not sponsored by industry or an NIH consortium)
- Study entails obtaining consent of study participants



# Scientific Review Board Functions

The *Scientific Review Board* will perform the following functions:

- Advise investigators in the development of IRB protocols.
- Evaluate protocols for scientific merit, feasibility, and quality.
- Ensure that protocols meet their accrual goals in a timely fashion.
- Manage competition for small study populations between studies with overlapping eligibility.
- Make recommendations for investigator-initiated studies with sufficient scientific merit to warrant allocation of administrative resources required for conduct of the study.

# Scientific Review Board Process

NJACTS Regulatory Affairs manager (Farah Anwar) serves as coordinator

- Works with investigator on templates, protocol development, consent form, IND submissions, etc.
- Assigns faculty mentor from SRB Committee
- Provides other referrals as needed: Clinicaltrials.gov, biostats, ethicist, community engagement, recruitment, budgeting, grant writing, etc.





# Regulatory Support Office

- Supported jointly by the RBHS Clinical Trials Office and the NJACTS Regulatory Core
- Staff members:
  - Anthony Gonzalez, QA/QC Manager, NJACTS
  - Farah Anwar, Regulatory Affairs Manager, RBHS Clinical Trials Office
- General Inquiries may be directed to [njactsregulatory@rbhs.rutgers.edu](mailto:njactsregulatory@rbhs.rutgers.edu)
- Arrange for phone or Zoom based support

# Regulatory Support Office Assistance Provided



Protocol/Consent  
Development

Type of IRB  
Submission  
Required

Advisement on  
additional  
approvals

HSR vs Non-HSR

Compliance  
Review for NJ  
ACTS Award  
Recipients

Regulatory advice  
for multi-site  
collaborations



# NJACTS Webpage



- Funding Opportunities
- Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Research Design (BERD)
- Information Services
- Regulatory Knowledge & Support**
- Special Populations in Research
- Team Science
- Genetically informed Research, Education, And Treatment
- ResearchMatch (RM)
- Biomarkers
- COVID-19
- Additional Resources

## Clinical Research Investigator Registry

Registry can match investigators with new clinical trial opportunities!

[CLICK HERE to Complete a Brief Form](#)

**Become a Member**  
NJ ACTS is dedicated to leading the development of new approaches to the health problems of New Jersey and to translating those advances into therapies and treatments.

**Find a Clinical Trial**  
Rutgers supports nearly 350 clinical trials at any given time. Our Rutgers Clinical Research Organization is the gateway to our statewide clinical trial activities

**Funding Opportunities**  
NJ ACTS disseminates information on funding opportunities to its members and partner institutions, directly through emails and our website.

**NJ ACTS Services & SRB**  
NJ ACTS Cores offer consulting, tools and other services to its members and partner institutions.

# NJACTS Webpage for Regulatory Services

NJ ACTS Regulatory Website:

[Questions or Need a Consultation?](#)

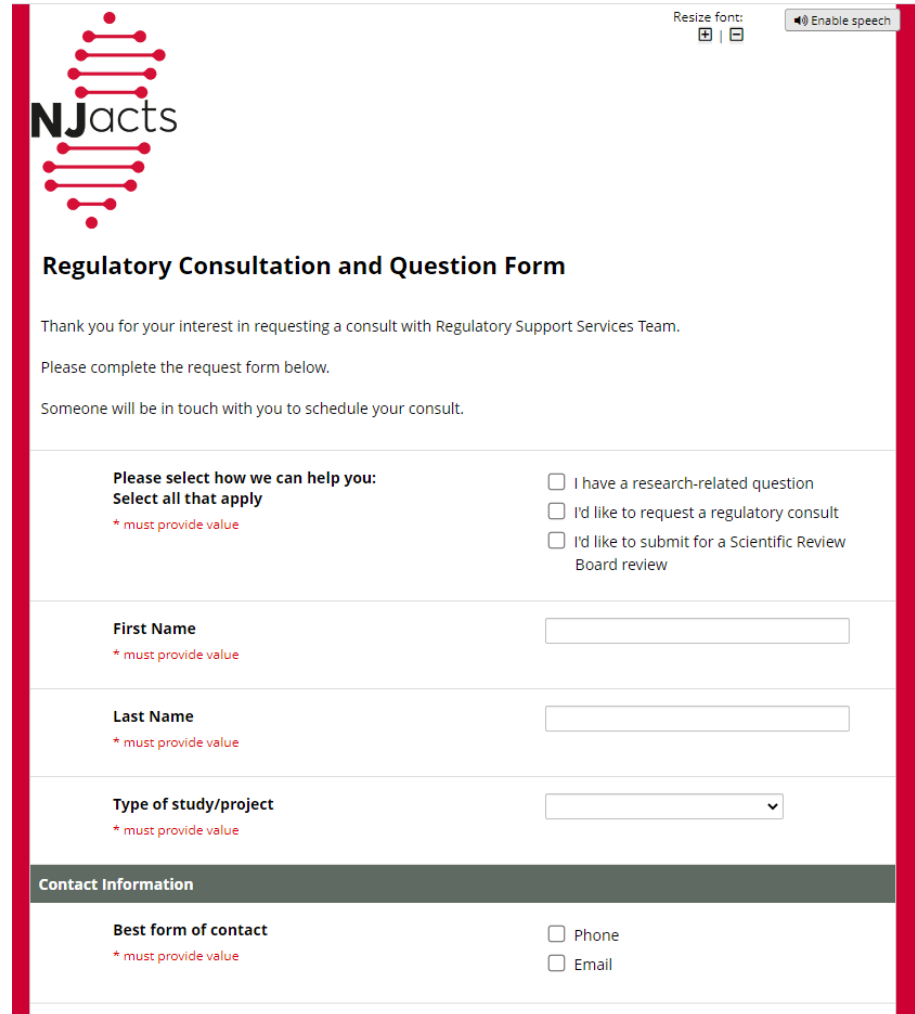
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The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the NJACTS Regulatory Consultation and Question Form. The page features the NJACTS logo at the top left, which consists of a stylized red and black graphic above the text "NJacts". In the top right corner, there are options for "Resize font" and "Enable speech". The main heading is "Regulatory Consultation and Question Form". Below this, a message reads: "Thank you for your interest in requesting a consult with Regulatory Support Services Team. Please complete the request form below. Someone will be in touch with you to schedule your consult." The form contains several sections: 1. "Please select how we can help you: Select all that apply" with three checkboxes: "I have a research-related question", "I'd like to request a regulatory consult", and "I'd like to submit for a Scientific Review Board review". 2. "First Name" and "Last Name" text input fields, both marked as required. 3. "Type of study/project" dropdown menu, also marked as required. 4. "Contact Information" section with a "Best form of contact" question and two checkboxes: "Phone" and "Email", both marked as required. The browser's address bar is not visible, but the URL from the text above is implied to be the one shown.



# Thank you

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