IRB Forum Supporter Prospectus

The IRB Forum (http://www.irbforum.org), a resource from Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R), is an active online discussion forum for those involved in the field of human subjects research. The Forum has both an email and a website presence; users can elect to receive messages in their email inbox, and can post new messages or replies on the website. Access is free, and over 3,200 active users¹ contribute an average of 120 messages per month. Another 2,000+ receive Forum email notifications. Users find the Forum to be an incredible resource:

“[I joined the IRB Forum for] on-going continuing education on variety of topics – some common to my current work, some unrelated, but important to know about and keep up on. LOVE IT! Plus the informal way we can all talk, disagree in real time, explain ourselves, agree to disagree, highlight different policies that are compliant with regs, different strategies to accomplish goals, etc. It’s the best.”

“[The IRB Forum] is the single best venue to get near real-time answers to questions…it is my go-to resource on a daily basis.”

The IRB Forum originated as MCWIRB in 1999 and was founded at the Medical College of Wisconsin by Robert “Skip” Nelson, MD, PhD. After a few years, it moved to the University of Pennsylvania and was renamed the IRB Forum. The Forum was originally established as a listserv, eventually migrating to a software program called Phorum, which created an accompanying website-based discussion board. PRIM&R acquired the Forum in 2012.

With the IRB Forum, PRIM&R strives to deliver an educational tool that will help users gain knowledge, seek guidance, and know that they are not alone in understanding regulations, best practices, and strategies. A contribution² ensures that this goal is met, and thus we would be delighted if you would consider joining us as an IRB Forum Supporter.

**Supporter Levels**

- **Capital Supporter** - $7,500 annually (limit 3)
  - Acknowledged with hyperlinked logo on the IRB Forum supporters page
  - Permission to mention IRB Forum support on Supporter’s website (using graphic provided by PRIM&R, if applicable)
  - Acknowledged with hyperlinked logo in IRB Forum email marketing to a targeted segment of the PRIM&R mailing list³ (2x/year)
  - Acknowledged with logo in IRB Forum ad in the PRIM&R Advancing Ethical Research (AER) Conference Guide (distributed to approximately 2,500+ conference attendees)
  - Acknowledged with hyperlinked logo on IRB Forum page on PRIM&R website
  - Acknowledged with logo (no URL) on footer on all IRB Forum pages

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¹ Users who have logged in to the IRB Forum website between October 2013 and October 2014.
² Supporters should check with a tax professional to determine whether this contribution will be tax deductible.
³ Includes administrators, researchers, research staff, institutional officials, government representatives, subject advocates, ethicists, policy makers, pharmaceutical and biotechnology personnel, academics, and attorneys working in research ethics, and human subject protections.
• **Lead Supporter - $5,000 annually (limit 5)**
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• **Supporter - $1,000-2,500 annually**
  o Acknowledged with hyperlinked logo on the IRB Forum supporters page
  o Supporters who give at the $2,500 level will also be acknowledged with hyperlinked logo in IRB Forum email marketing to a targeted segment of the PRIM&R mailing list (2x/year)

• **Individual Contributor - Any denomination**
  o Available to individuals only, not companies or organizations
  o Contributions over $250 will be acknowledged by name on the IRB Forum supporters page

Supporters are **not** permitted to:

• Advertise services in the IRB Forum, beyond posting in the Resources board (this includes both creating new posts and responding to user posts).
• Contact individual members of the IRB Forum, either publicly or privately, for advertising purposes.

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IRB FORUM SUPPORTER APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for agreeing to become an IRB Forum supporter! We're delighted with your interest and ask that you please complete and return this application to Anne Meade (email: ameade@primr.org; fax: 617.423.1185). Supporters must be paid in full to be provided agreed upon name/logo placements.

Contact Information:

Contact Name and Title:__________________________________________________________

Company:_____________________________________________________________________

Address:________________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: _______ Zip: _______________________

Phone: ________________ Fax: ____________ Email: ________________________________

Fees (please select one):

☐ Capital Supporter $7,500.00
☐ Lead Corporate Supporter $5,000.00
☐ Corporate Supporter $2,500.00
☐ Individual Contributor $__________.00

Payment Information:

I am enclosing check #:______________________ (Mail to: PRIM&R, P.O. Box 845203, Boston, MA, 02284-5203, Attn: IRB Forum Supporter)

I am paying by credit card: Visa Master Card Amex (please circle one)

Credit Card #: ______________________________________ Exp. Date

Print Card Holder’s Name

Address

City State Zip

PRIM&R Agreement Terms:
All terms and conditions of supporting the IRB Forum are agreed upon and enforced by my company signature. Supporting individual/company agrees to abide by all provisions set forth in these terms as part of this contract between PRIM&R and the supporter.

_________________________________________ ___________________________ __________
Name Signature Date

Questions?
Please direct all questions and concerns to Anne Meade by phone at 617.423.4112, ext. 113, or via email at ameade@primr.org.

THANK YOU FOR AGREEING TO SUPPORT THE IRB FORUM!