



SMSU IRB Research Questions & Summary Form

PART I: Please check the appropriate response.

1. Will participants be identifiable to anyone other than the researchers through records, responses, or identifiers linked to the individual? Yes No
2. Could participants be at risk of criminal or civil liability, damage to employability or financial standing, or undue embarrassment, if responses became known outside of the research project? Yes No
3. Does the research deal with sensitive aspects of participants' behavior, such as illegal conduct, drug use, sexual behavior, or use of alcohol? Yes No
4. Does the research involve the collection or study of existing data from sources not publicly available (existing data can be documents, records, pathological specimens or diagnostic specimens)? Yes No
5. Will participants be videotaped? audiotaped? Yes No
6. Does the research deal with participants who are under eighteen years of age? (If so, answer question 4 in Part II) Yes No
7. Is there deception of participants? (If so, answer question 5 in Part II) Yes No
8. Are participants free to withdraw at any time without penalty? Yes No
9. Does the research deal with participants who are:
 - Not legally competent adults? Yes No
 - Mentally disabled? Yes No
 - Physically challenged? Yes No
 - Prisoners? Yes No
 - Pregnant? Yes No
10. Does the project involve:
 - Administering drugs? Yes No
 - Administering alcohol? Yes No
 - Administering nutritional supplements? Yes No
 - Taking tissue samples? Yes No
 - Drawing blood? Yes No
 - Giving injections? Yes No
11. Does the project involve tasting food:
 - With additives or ingredients above the recommended FDA, EPA, or USDA safe levels? Yes No

(If any of the answers to question 10 are "yes," then discuss qualifications in Part II, question 1.e.)

PART II: Please type responses to each question.

1. Summarize the proposed project, including
 - a. Goals/research purpose:

- b. Hypotheses/research questions:

- c. Methodology: Explain in detail both study design and procedures.

- d. Data collection documents attached
 - Questionnaire/s,
 - Interview protocols
 - Other. Specify:
- e. Specific licenses/qualifications described and attached as needed

2. Identify any physical or psychological risks (here and in the consent form) that are beyond the risks normally encountered in everyday life.

a. What safeguards will you use to protect the participants from these risks, as well as to protect their rights, welfare, and privacy?

b. Participants will be informed of the risks through:

- Consent form (attach copy)
- Verbal (attach script)

3. Describe the benefits expected to be gained from this project. (This should include any direct benefits to the participants as well as any general gain in knowledge.)

4. If you will be using participants under the age of 18,
a. Explain in detail how you will obtain parental consent.

- b. If consent will be obtained orally, supply a script of what you will say and how you will give children the opportunity to say “yes” or “no.” (See Policy 2.5 Informed Consent)

5. Does the proposed study involve deception?

Yes

No

If “yes,” then answer the following:

- a. Describe the type of deception being used.

- b. Why is deception necessary to the research design?

c. Are there alternative procedures that do not involve deception and why were the alternatives rejected?

d. Describe the debriefing that will be used after the study.

6. Describe the methods used to safeguard the data.