

Contractor Opportunity:

Community Member, Institutional Biosafety Committee (Contractor)

We are seeking community representatives for institutional biosafety committees (IBCs) which serve as safety oversight panels for genetic engineering and gene therapy research.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) requires IBC membership to include at least 2 community members for each population center where research will take place. The community members must not be affiliated with the study being reviewed or the site/institution hosting the study. Community members represent the interests of the community and the environment surrounding the research site.

Community members support our mission of safeguarding the rights and welfare of clinical research subjects and ensuring research is conducted safely and responsibly. In addition to receiving compensation, community members gain the satisfaction of making an altruistic contribution to biomedical research and obtain insight to cutting edge developments in many therapeutic areas.

Summary:

Act in collaboration with IBC subject matter experts in review of genetic engineering and gene therapy research to ensure the research is performed safely and in compliance with NIH Guidelines and other pertinent guidelines and regulations.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Attend assigned meetings via videoconference. Meetings are scheduled on an as-needed basis based on studies submitted in your community and typically last an hour.
- Prepare for each IBC meeting. At a minimum, community members are required to read a non-technical abstract and are welcome to review all submission materials.
- Participate in relevant discussion during committee meetings, particularly as they relate to the community and the environment.
- Vote on each item presented to the committee.
- Maintain confidentiality in the review of any committee and study-related material(s).

Required Skills/Traits:

Education/Training/Experience:

- College level science coursework required. Undergraduate or graduate level science degree preferred.
- Experience in any of the following sectors preferred: science, healthcare, environmental health, occupational safety or emergency response

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To address the increasingly complex needs associated with research, Advarra leverages exceptional client service, innovative technology and robust global regulatory expertise. Advarra also provides deep experience across all major therapeutic areas and research phases. Advarra's IBC service reviews studies involving genetic engineering and gene therapy research. The IBC service complements the IRB by assessing the risks associated with gene therapy research to safeguard the rights of clinical research subjects as well as the safety of study personnel, the community and the environment.

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