

NYITCOM Scientific Research and Review Committee (SARRC)

The SARRC is a group of doctors, scientists, and other experts that review the detailed plan of a clinical trial and human subject research for scientific quality and correct study design. This committee's purpose is to provide guidance on:

- The research question and if it is clearly defined and understandable.
- The study design and efficiency in achieving the study's goals.
- The methods used in the research are rigorous and feasible.
- Qualifications and expertise of the research team to carry out the study.
- The background material and rationale used in the study should be scholarly and relevant.
- Sufficient sample size and controls relevant to the study are in place.
- A valid and appropriate statistical analysis plan
- Data collection plan is in accordance with Good Clinical Practice Guidelines

These human subject studies are reviewed by the SARRC before they go to the NYIT's Institutional Review Board (IRB) for approval. If the Scientific Research Review Committee requires further expertise to evaluate a study, they may seek the assistance of a consultant.

Which studies should be submitted to the SARRC?

- Any NYITCOM faculty member conducting clinical trial research.
- Any NYITCOM faculty member conducting clinical research in any of the COM buildings and facilities (Serota, Rockefeller, Riland, or Innovation lab and DeSeversky boxing gym)
- Any NYIT faculty member conducting an observational study or clinical trial utilizing the NYIT Academic Health Care Center patients. This includes:
 - Rock Steady Boxing participants
 - Parkinson's disease patients
 - Ehlers Danlos patients
 - COM student patients
- Any NYIT faculty member conducting an observational study or clinical trial utilizing The NYIT Academic Health Care Center Resources:
 - Nurses/Medical Assistants
 - DEXA Scans and X-rays
 - Lasers and ultrasound equipment
 - PFT
 - Gait Lab
 - Balance Master
 - Metabolic Cart
 - Human biospecimens

***The IRB reserves the right to refer any study for assessment by the Scientific Review Committee, including subjects with acute neurological injuries (TBI, concussion, stroke, etc.), even if they are not patients of the AHCC and COM buildings or AHCC resources are not being used.**

NYIT School of Health Professions faculty who seek to recruit persons with chronic neurological & musculoskeletal conditions do not require a SARRC (Scientific and Academic Research Review Committee) review, except in cases where they are recruiting from or utilizing space in the AHCC (Academic Health Care Center) or Rock Steady Boxing.