Good Afternoon Dr. Hasenkrug:

Thank you for the opportunity to review your research project: Study of HIV infection & Vaccine Protection. Since the work you are doing at the NIH provides little or no risk to human subjects off-site, OHSR has decided the appropriate action for you to take is the following:

- Provide documentation that you will not seek the identity of the subjects who have provided the samples you will receive as well as documentation from ABR that under no circumstances will the identity or link to the identifiers of the subjects be released to you.

An e-mail from you and from ABR holding the key to the code is sufficient documentation.

This action is based on guidance issued on Aug. 10, 2004 by the HHS Office of Human Research Protections, the regulatory office for the protection of human subjects.

Best regards.

OHSR - National Institutes of Health
Bldg 10, Suite 2C146
Bethesda, MD 20892
Office Telephone: 301-402-3444
Office Fax: 301-402-3443

The NIH is committed to maintaining the highest standards for the protection of human subjects.

Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail