

## Considering Research?

There are many pros and cons that should be considered in the decision to become involved in a research study. We at Hummingbird IRB believe in presenting information that reflects the complicated issues and beliefs that we hope will help you decide. Listed below are the links for organizations that are on both side of the debate.

If you ever want to talk to someone about these issues, we have very experienced staff, board members and others who would be glad to speak to you about the decision.

Please know that we will not persuade you to participate but will discuss your concerns to the best of our ability.

Ultimately, the decision is a personal one and yours alone.

Please note that research participant and research subject are often used interchangeably

Wikipedia definition of Research participant

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Research\\_participant](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Research_participant)

Harvard Medical School research participant checklist

<http://hms.harvard.edu/departments/office-human-research-administration/research-participants/research-participant-checklist>

Center for Information and Study on Clinical Research Participation

<https://www.inspire.com/groups/clinical-research-volunteers/>

Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine

<http://www.pcrm.org/research/healthcare-professionals/research-compedium/>

Guinea pig zero

<http://www.guineapigzero.com/>

National Library of Medicine, Medline Plus

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/videosandcooltools.html>

American Cancer Society

<http://www.cancer.org/aboutus/howwehelpyou/about-us-research>

American Association for Cancer Research

[http://www.aacr.org/Funding/PAGES/STAND\\_UP\\_TO\\_CANCER/ADVOCACY-ORGANIZATIONS-WITH-CLINICAL-TRIAL-INFORMATION.ASPX](http://www.aacr.org/Funding/PAGES/STAND_UP_TO_CANCER/ADVOCACY-ORGANIZATIONS-WITH-CLINICAL-TRIAL-INFORMATION.ASPX)

United for Medical Research

<http://www.unitedformedicalresearch.com/>