



ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS: Research & Development Acronyms

AAALAC Int'l	Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International	FDA	Food and Drug Administration	ORI	Office of Research Integrity
AAHRPP	Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs	FFP	Falsification, Fabrication, and Plagiarism	ORO	Office of Research Oversight
AAMC	Association of American Medical Colleges	FMS	Financial Management System	PATH	Physicians at Teaching Hospitals
ACOS	Associate Chief of Staff	FTP	Facility Development Process	PCS	Permanent Change of Station
AE	Adverse Event	FWA	Federal-Wide Assurance Program	PHRP	Partnership for Human Research Protection
AERAC	Adverse Events in Research Advisory Committee	GAO	General Accounting Office	PHS	Public Health Service
AL	Assurance Letter	GCP	Good Clinical Practice	PI	Principal Investigator
AMA	American Medical Association	GPRA	Government Performance Results Act	PRIDE	Program for Research Integrity Development & Education
AMIS	Automated Management Information System	HAC	Health Administration Center	PRIM&R	Public Responsibility in Medicine & Research
APHIS	Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service	HCFCA	Health Care Financing Administration	PTSD	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
ARENA	Applied Research Ethics National Association	HCHV	Health Care for Homeless Veterans	PVA	Paralyzed Veterans of America
AWIC	Animal Welfare Information Center	HCMH	Homeless Chronically Mentally Ill	QA	Quality Assurance
BVA	Board of Veterans Appeals	HHS	Health and Human Services	QI	Quality Improvement
CAAT	Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing	HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996	QMIC	Quality Management Integration Council
CBOC	Community Based Outpatient Clinic	HRPP	Human Research Protection Program	QUIC	Quality Improvement Checklist
CDL	Central Dental Lab	HSRS	Human Subjects Research Subcommittee (of the Committee on Science, White House National Science and Technology Council)	R&D	Research and Development
CFO	Chief Financial Officer	IACUC	Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee	RACO	Research Assurance & Compliance Officer (VISN Level)
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	ICD	International Classification of Diseases	RAG	Research Advisory Group
CHAMPUS	Civilian Health & Medical Program of the Uniformed Services	IDCU	Integrated Data Communication Utility	RCAC	Research Compliance Assurance Contract
CHAMPVA	Civilian Health & Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs	IIA	Inter-Institutional Amendment	RCO	Research Compliance Officer (Facility Level)
CIO	Chief Information Officer	ILAR	Institute of Laboratory Animal Resources	RCR	Responsible Conduct of Research
CITI	Collaborative IRB Training Initiative	IND	Investigational New Drug	SAE	Serious Adverse Event
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act	IRB	Institutional Review Board	SCAW	Scientists Center for Animal Welfare
CMOP	Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy	IRM	Information Resource Management	SCI	Spinal Cord Injury
CNO	Chief Network Officer	IRMFO	Information Resource Management Field Office	SCMI	Severely Chronically Mentally Ill
CO	Central Office	LINC	Liaison & Networking Center	SES	Senior Executive Seminar
COACH	Center on Advice & Compliance Help	LOI	Letter of Intent	SIFT	Special Inquiry Force Team
CPA	Cooperative Project Assurance	LTC	Long Term Care	SMAG	Special Medical Advisory Group
CPT	Current Procedural Terminology	LVA	Leadership VA	SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement	MAP	Multi-Assessment Program	SPA	Single Project Assurance (obsolete - refer to FWA)
CRADO	Chief Research & Development Officer	MCCF	Medical Care Cost Fund	SPSS	Statistical Programs for the Social Sciences
DCC	Data Consent Committee (HIPAA abbreviation)	MPA	Multiple Project Assurance (obsolete - refer to FWA)	SSO	Standard Setting Organization (HIPAA abbreviation)
DCHV	Domiciliary Care for Homeless Veterans	MPAB	Multidisciplinary Advisory Board	TDA	Transfer Disbursing Authority
DCRB	Design Change Review Board	MSG	Management Science Group	TED	Training, Education, and Development
DEERS	Defense Eligibility Enrollment System	NABR	National Association for Biomedical Research	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services	NBAC	National Bioethics Advisory Commission	USH	Under Secretary for Health
DME	Durable Medical Equipment	NCOA	National Committee for Quality Assurance	VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
DOD	Department of Defense	NCURA	National Council of University Research Administrators	VBA	Veterans Benefits Administration
DRG	Diagnostic Related Groups	NFR	National Fund Reserve	VERA	Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation
DSMO	Designated Standard Maintenance Organization (HIPAA abbreviation)	NHGRI	National Human Genome Research Institute	VFW	Veterans of Foreign Wars
DSS	Decision Support System	NIH	National Institutes of Health	VHA	Veterans Health Administration
DUSH	Deputy Under Secretary for Health	NLB	National Leadership Board	VISN	Veterans Integrated Service Network
EDMS	Electronic Document Management System	NPSP	National Patient Safety Partnership	Vista	Veterans Health Information Systems & Technology Architecture
EMPO	Emergency Medical Preparedness Office	NSC	Non-Service Connected	VSO	Veterans Service Organizations
EMSHG	Emergency Management Strategic Healthcare Group	NSF	National Science Foundation		
EOB	Explanation of Benefits	OER	Office of Extramural Research		
FAC	Field Advisory Committee	OHRP	Office for Human Research Protections		
FCP	Fund Control Point	OIG	Office of the Inspector General		
		OMB	Office of Management & Budget		
		OMI	Office of the Medical Inspector		
		OPRR	Office for Protection from Research Risks (now OHRP)		
		ORCA	Office of Research Compliance & Assurance		
		ORD	Office of Research and Development		



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