

Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

GENERAL CLINICAL RESEARCH CENTER

Protocols Requesting Informatics and/or Statistics Core Only

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Purpose:

To identify the process of prioritization of “Informatics Only and/or Biostatistics Only” requests for utilization. NCRR Guidelines describe the goals of the Informatics Core to work with GCRC investigators to design and develop methodologies that meet accepted standards for research data management; to instruct GCRC staff and investigators in the use of the Informatics Core resources; to facilitate the dissemination of information within and outside of the GCRC; and to work with the biostatistical staff on GCRC-approved protocols.

Procedure:

- 1) The Investigator needs to provide a written request regarding the specific type and amount of support being sought from the GCRC.
- 2) Prioritization of requests for Informatics Only Services will depend on resource availability. GCRC support will be a function of existing and anticipated utilization of GCRC approved protocols; all requests will be considered, but not guaranteed support. Non-funded protocols can be considered, with a preference given to R-01 and Foundation supported protocols. In certain circumstances departmentally supported protocols can be allocated Informatics/Statistics Core Services.
- 3) Requests for Utilization will be taken to GAC with recommendations provided by the GCRC Administrative Staff and the Informatics Core Director as to the feasibility of providing services at that time. GAC will vote on the utilization request and the requester will be notified by letter of GAC’s decision.
- 4) A biostatistical consultation may be available and provided to the Investigator planning to use GCRC resources.

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References: NCRR Guidelines November 2001

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