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Subject: Client Research

**PURPOSE:**

Camden County Developmental Disability Resources (CCDDR) shall have a policy for adhering to State of Missouri requirements for research involving individuals served by CCDDR, as required by 9 CSR 60-1.010 and RSMo 630.192.

**POLICY:**

CCDDR shall not permit individuals served by the Board to participate in any research projects except as provided for under section 630.192, RSMo and succeeding sections and operating regulations. RSMo 630.192 states: “No biomedical or pharmacological research shall be conducted in any mental health facility or mental health program in which people may be civilly detained pursuant to [chapter 632](#) or in any public or private residential facilities or day programs operated, funded or licensed by the department for persons affected by intellectual disabilities, developmental disabilities, mental illness, mental disorders or alcohol or drug abuse unless such research is intended to alleviate or prevent the disabling conditions or is reasonably expected to be of direct therapeutic benefit to the participants. Without a specific court order, no involuntary patient shall consent to participate in any biomedical or pharmacological research. The application for the order shall be filed in the court having probate jurisdiction in the county in which the mental health facility is located, provided, however, that if the patient requests that the hearing be held by the court which has committed the patient, or if the court having probate jurisdiction deems it appropriate, the hearing on the application shall be transferred to the committing court.”

The agency or individual requesting to do research shall send an application to the Department of Mental Health director or designee. It is incumbent on the agency or individual wishing to conduct research to seek and gain approval for research before initiating the project. All terms and conditions outlined in 9 CSR 60-1.010 must be acknowledged and followed. All research must comply with state and federal regulations.

**REFERENCES:**

- RSMo 630.192
- 9 CSR 60-1.010
- CARF Standards Manual