IMPORTANT CONSENT CHANGES FOR RESEARCH INVOLVING UVMMC
(updated 4/16/15)

Injury Language

Effective 4/16/15, UVM and The UVM Medical Center IRB have revised the boiler-plate compensation for injury language within the consent form template. All new and continuing research consent forms must include the new injury language. This change may be made at the same time as you update the hospital name change, if you haven’t already done so. This change can also be done when submitting your new consent form for continuing review. The boiler-plate language can be found within our consent template.

Institutional Name Change

As of November 12, 2014, our affiliated hospital, Fletcher Allen Health Care, Inc., officially became “The University of Vermont Medical Center Inc.” This was a change in name only to more clearly reflect the academic core and position as one of the nation’s most respected academic medical centers, and to proudly demonstrate their strong ties to the University of Vermont.

CONSENT FORMS

Current Studies:

• For all current research subjects in studies involving UVMMC, (those that have already signed consent forms for research studies) the Consent Form Update, located on our forms page, and should be given to each subject at their next research visit or encounter. Do NOT re-consent subjects for this name change or the change in injury language.

• For all new research subjects to be recruited for studies that already have current approval, the Consent Form Update, located on our forms page, should be attached to every copy of the consent form document to be used, effective November 12, 2014.

• For all ongoing studies accruing new subjects, consent forms must be revised at the time of the next continuing review or with the next amendment that affects the consent form, whichever comes first. Please do not submit an amendment for the name change and injury language only, as this will result in an overall delay of approvals.

New Studies:

• All new submissions for IRB review of research studies that will involve UVM Medical Center, must use the new name, injury language and approved logos. We have updated all of our consent templates on our forms page.

HIPAA AUTHORIZATION FORMS:

New Studies:

• In conjunction with the November 12, 2014 UVM Medical Center name change, we have launched a streamlined version of the HIPAA Authorization Form for all new submissions for IRB review of research studies that will involve UVM Medical Center protected health information (PHI).

Current Studies:

• For all current research subjects in studies involving FAHC PHI, subjects will be receiving the Consent Form Update, as indicated above. Do NOT obtain a new HIPAA authorization for this name change.

• For all ongoing studies accruing new subjects, the HIPAA Authorization Forms must be revised at the time of the next continuing review or amendment affecting the consent form, whichever comes first.