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## **Research Conducted by Telephone**

The Federal regulations require that informed consent be documented by a written consent form that has been approved by the CHR and signed by the subject or the subject's legally authorized representative, unless the CHR has waived this requirement. Studies involving surveys or interviews conducted over the telephone are no exception to this requirement. Two approaches are possible. Written consent to take part in a survey or interview may be obtained prior to contact by telephone. Alternatively, CHR may waive the requirement for obtaining a signed consent under one of the following two conditions: 1) the study is no more than minimal risk and the only record linking the subject and the research would be the consent document and the principal risk would be potential harm resulting from a breach of confidentiality, or 2) the study is no more than minimal risk and involves no procedures for which consent would normally be required. Requests for waivers must be included in the CHR research application.