Research may fall into several categories that require an *expedited review*. Many of these categories are described below.

A new human subjects research protocol may be processed on an expedited basis if the research poses no more than minimal risk to subjects, as assessed by the reviewer.

Does My Project Meet the Criteria for Expedited Review? (Expedited Category 4)*****

Studied intended to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of the medical device are not generally eligible for expedited review, including studies of cleared medical devices for new indications.

Collection of data through noninvasive procedures (not involving general anesthesia or sedation) routinely employed in clinical practice, excluding procedures involving x-rays or microwaves. Where medical devices are employed, they must be cleared/approved for marketing.

EXAMPLES:

(a) physical sensors that are applied either to the surface of the body or at a distance and do not involve input of significant amounts of energy into the subject or an invasion of the subject’s privacy;
(b) weighing or testing sensory acuity;
(c) magnetic resonance imaging;
(d) electrocardiography, electroencephalography, thermography, detection of naturally occurring radioactivity, electroretinography, ultrasound, diagnostic infrared imaging, doppler blood flow, and echocardiography;
(e) moderate exercise, muscular strength testing, body composition assessment, and flexibility testing where appropriate given the age, weight, and health of the individual.

Project meets the criteria for expedited review per 45 CFR 46.110.

*****Studies intended to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of the medical device are not generally eligible for expedited review, including studies of cleared medical devices for new indications.
Does My Project Meet the Criteria for Expedited Review? (Expedited Category 5)

Research involving materials (data, documents, records, or specimens) that have been collected, or will be collected solely for nonresearch purposes (such as medical treatment or diagnosis).

Project meets the criteria for expedited review per 45 CFR 46.110.
Does My Project Meet the Criteria for Expedited Review? (Expedited Category 6)

Collection of data from voice, video, digital, or image recordings made for research purposes.

Project meets the criteria for expedited review per 45 CFR 46.110.
Does My Project Meet the Criteria for Expedited Review? (Expedited Category 7)

Research on individual or group characteristics or behavior (including, but not limited to, research on perception, cognition, motivation, identity, language, communication, cultural beliefs or practices, and social behavior),

OR

research employing survey, interview, oral history, focus group, program evaluation, human factors evaluation, or quality assurance methodologies.

Project meets the criteria for expedited review per 45 CFR 46.110.