

# FOOTHILLS GATEWAY, INC.

## Research

### **POLICY:**

It is the policy of Foothills Gateway, Inc. (FGI) that any experimental research conducted by or under the supervision of FGI with individuals we serve, adhere to the rules and regulations set forth by Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF).

### **PROCEDURE:**

The person conducting the research will contact the Chief Operating Officer Case Management (COO-CM) with the request. The COO-CM will contact appropriate staff to evaluate the request.

Foothills Gateway, Inc. shall:

- Require adherence to ethical and design standards in the conduct of research.
- Require review by the Human Rights Committee (HRC).
- Address the adequacy of the research design.
- Address the qualifications of the individual(s) responsible for coordinating the project.
- Address the benefits of the research in general.
- Address the benefits and risks to the participants.
- Address the benefits to the agency.
- Address the possible disruptive effects of the project on agency operations.
- Require informed consent from participants, their guardians or parents of a minor. Consent may be given only after consultation with the Interdisciplinary Team and a developmental disabilities professional not affiliated with the Program Approved Service Agency from which the person receives services.
- Require procedures for dealing with any potentially harmful effects that may occur in the course of research activities.
- Not subject any person to experimental research or hazardous treatment procedures if the person implicitly or expressly objects to such procedures or such procedures are prohibited.

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