Your institution's electronic submission for the update/renewal of its Federalwide Assurance U of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System Higher Education, FWA00006790, has been approved by the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP). The expiration date for your FWA renewal is 07/01/2020. You will find this approval listed on our website at http://ohrp.cit.nih.gov/search/search.aspx. Funding agencies use this website to verify that an institution holds an active OHRP-approved FWA.

Your institution’s FWA update/renewal is effective for 5 years and must be renewed before the end of that period in order to remain effective. In addition, your institution must update its FWA within 90 days after changes occur regarding:

- the legal name of the Institution,
- the Human Protections Administrator, or
- the Signatory Official.

All updates/renewals of the FWA must be submitted electronically using the OHRP Electronic Submission System at http://ohrp.cit.nih.gov/efile, unless your institution lacks the ability to do so electronically. If an institution believes it lacks the ability to submit its FWA electronically, it should contact OHRP by telephone (see http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/assurances/status/contact/index.html) or in writing and explain why it is unable to submit its FWA electronically.

When an electronic submission is processed, an automatically generated e-mail notifies the Human Protections Administrator and Signatory Official, as well as the person submitting the electronic record, that the FWA document has been approved. A copy of the approved FWA is also attached to the email. Of course, this depends on correct e-mail addresses being provided for these individuals.

The following changes have been approved in this FWA update/renewal:

1. HPA institutional title changed from Assistant Director, IRB Office to Director of Regulatory Affairs
2. SO name changed from Randy P Juhl to George Huber
3. SO Organizational name changed from University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education to University of Pittsburgh - Of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education
4. SO Contact Information updated
5. SO Institutional Title changed from Vice Chancellor Research Conduct and Compliance to Vice Provost Research Conduct and Compliance

Sincerely,

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