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Good morning --

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I hope this information is helpful. Please contact us again at gcp.questions@fda.hhs.gov should you have additional questions.

Kind regards,

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Good morning.

Our IRB has inquired as to whether or not we need to register with the federal government. It is my understanding that we do only if we conduct FDA-related research. I will appreciate your verification or your directing me to the process by which we need to register. [REDACTED] does not conduct any FDA-related research.

Thank you ,

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