



## EXEMPTION DETERMINATION

**Date:** December 19, 2019

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| Type of Submission:     | Initial Study   |
| Title of Study:         | Follow-Up Interview: Exploring Knowledge Sharing and Online Interactions in the Public Mailing Lists for Blind People   |
| Principal Investigator: | Jooyoung Seo  |
| Study ID:               | STUDY00014119   |
| Submission ID:          | STUDY00014119   |
| Funding:                | Not Applicable  |
| Documents Approved:     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Semi-Structured Interview Protocol.pdf (1.0), Category: Data Collection Instrument</li><li>• Seo_HRP-591 - Protocol for Human Subject Research 10 4 2018 Accessible Version.pdf (2.0), Category: IRB Protocol</li></ul> |

The Office for Research Protections determined that the proposed activity, as described in the above-referenced submission, does not require formal IRB review because the research met the criteria for exempt research according to the policies of this institution and the provisions of applicable federal regulations.

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