

RESEARCH SAFETY GUIDELINES

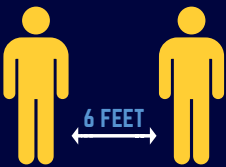
As of June 15, 2020, ETSU will allow in-person contact with human subject research participants with the approval of the Vice Provost for Research and Sponsored Programs. ETSU Office of Research and Sponsored Programs is committed to the safety of researchers and participants as ETSU resumes in-person research. The following are requirements that researchers are expected to follow in order to provide a minimum level of safety when resuming or initiating in-person contact with human subject research participants.



All researchers will be screened and will not be allowed to conduct in-person research if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.



Participants will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms or exposure and will only participate in in-person procedures when presumed to be COVID-19 negative.



Social distancing (6 ft) will be observed during face-to-face interactions. In cases where social distancing is not feasible, gloves and eye protection will be used.



Face coverings will be used by the researcher and participants during all human subject research requiring face-to-face interaction. Face coverings can be obtained through the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.



Researchers and participants should wash hands or use hand sanitizers following completion of the interaction.



Researchers will identify any restrictions or requirements at the specific research location and how to meet them.



Researchers will take extraordinary care to disinfect any equipment that will be handled by researchers and participants.



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