



DATE: February 19, 2008

TO: Jody Sachs, D.P.M.
Project Officer, National Center for Research Resources

FROM: NIH Privacy Act Officer

SUBJECT: Non-applicability of the Privacy Act: Inventory and Evaluation of Clinical Research Networks (IECRN)

I have reviewed the NCRR submission to OMB requesting approval for the Inventory and Evaluation of Clinical Research Networks (IECRN).

I have determined that the Privacy Act will not apply to this data collection. Although the core survey will collect personally identifiable information, the web-based inventory in which it will be stored was not designed to be retrieved by a personal identifier.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at (301) 496-2832.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Karen M. Plá". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K" and a distinct "Plá" at the end.

Karen M. Plá