

Date: September 6, 2017
To: Nikie Esquivel
From: Juesta Caddell, IRB Director *JMC*
Subject: Human Subjects Research Determination
Re: Evaluation of the Cancer Survivorship Demonstration Project

Thank you for providing the RTI IRB information about your role in evaluating six National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program grantees who received special funding to work on cancer survivorship interventions.

Per your communication, all the data collected are intended to constitute a program evaluation for CDC's DCPC Cancer Survivorship Program. Survey and interview findings will be used by DCPC to inform the continued roll-out of cancer survivorship interventions to all NCCCP grantees for implementation in their states/territories/tribes.

The data collected is not intended to be used to contribute to generalizable knowledge; however, if the parameters of the planned project change such that the data could be used for scientific purposes to contribute to generalizable knowledge, then RTI IRB review and approval or exemption may be required. Please inform the IRB office of any changes in the planned work.

I have determined that RTI is not involved in research with human subjects as defined by the US Code of Federal Regulations (45 CFR 46.102)—specifically these activities would not be considered “research” as defined by that code, rather they would be program evaluation. Therefore, approval/exemption of your activities by the RTI IRB is not necessary.

Please note that RTI requirements related to privacy, data security, and document management still apply even though this activity is not considered human subjects research.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you.