POLICY STATEMENT

It is incumbent on National University of Health Sciences (NUHS) to insure that research conducted either at the University, or in conjunction with another institution, by a member of the University community is of the highest quality possible.

The University Research Department has developed guidance for proposal preparation and proposal review for all research activity proposed or conducted under the auspices of the University. This guidance is contained in a booklet entitled “The Guide for Preparation and Processing of Human Research”. This booklet is available in the office of the Dean of Research for all faculty, students and staff who wish to pursue research at the University.

Applications for extramural funds are submitted according to the instructions of the funding agency. In both instances the following reviews are required:

1. Review for scientific merit by independent peer reviewer(s) selected by the Principal Investigator.
2. Review and approval by the University Research Committee to ensure that the time, commitment and funding requests are reasonable and consistent with other University policies.
3. Review by the Institutional Review Board, if the project involves human subjects, or by the Animal Care and Use Committee (ACUC), if the project involves the use of laboratory animals covered by the most current Animal Welfare Act.
4. The Dean of Research reviews all proposals and signs them as the responsible institutional official.

Prospective investigators are encouraged to work closely with the Dean of Research and/or other research department personnel during the development of a proposal.