University of Florida Institutional Review Board (IRB) COVID-19 Response
The University of Florida and UF IRB are working together to manage the impact of COVID-19 on research. To help our research community through these challenges, we will be compiling resources, official policies, and other information relevant to COVID-19 on our website. Also available on our website is the IRB COVID-19 Investigator Guideline.

UF Biosafety Regarding COVID-19 Research Projects
In keeping with CDC guidance, the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) and the Biosafety Office are requiring that all work with viable SARS-CoV-2 virus be performed at Biosafety Level 3 (BSL-3) laboratory. Per UF policy, all BSL-3 work requires IBC approval before work can begin. Additionally, there are numerous training requirements, along with background checks for certain facilities, that must be met before BSL-3 work can begin. Please contact the Biosafety Office for guidance if you are proposing work with SARS-CoV-2 that requires a BSL-3 facility. For more information, please reference their published guideline.

University of Florida Health Investigational Drug Service (IDS) Position Statement
IDS has developed a position statement on the issue of shipping dispensed Rx to participants which addresses shipment to participants. For more information, please reference their published Position Statement on Shipping of Investigational Drugs.

Reminders
Accessing myIRB
myIRB is on a protected network and can only be directly accessed from computers in the Gainesville Health Science Center (HSC) computer network. If the computer you are using is outside the HSC computer network (e.g. on campus or off campus such as at your home), you must download and install the VPN client (Cisco AnyConnect). Cisco AnyConnect is a separate application which must be run to establish a secure network connection. The Cisco AnyConnect client application can be obtained from the UF Network Services website. Support is available at the UF Helpdesk (352) 392-HELP.

myIRB Electronic Submission Researcher Manual
The Researcher Manual is a step by step guide to navigating myIRB. This guide contains screen shots of myIRB and step-by-step directions for using the system.