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## 1. PURPOSE

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participants presents the possibility for coercion or undue influence. The regulatory requirements for IRB review and approval provide that when some or all of the subjects are likely to be vulnerable to coercion or undue influence, additional safeguards are needed to protect the rights and welfare of these subjects. This policy establishes the criteria and process for MU research protocols involving MU students and employees as subjects.

## 2. REVISIONS FROM PREVIOUS VERSION

2.1. None

## 3. DEFINITIONS

- 3.1. occurs when a person is compelled to involuntarily behave in a certain way by use of overt or implicit threat of harm, intimidation, or other form of pressure or force. Coercion also occurs when potential subjects perceive pressure or force to participate. For example, an investigator might tell a potential subject that failure to participate will result in the loss of salary or other benefits, or a lowered course grade; or these potential harms may be perceived.
- 3.2. occurs when a person takes advantage of a position of power by offering excessive or inappropriate rewards for compliance, or, whether intended or not, the person in the position of power undermines the freedom of choice. For example, an investigator might tell a potential subject that the decision to participate will result in a job promotion or better course grade; or the person may perceive s/ he lacks the freedom of choice.

## 4. POLICY

4.1. This policy addresses the safeguards that investigators must consider and that the \$\\$\0.000 \text{re\notation} 0.0 1 \frac{162}{27} \text{re\notation} \text{BT/F2 12 Tf1 0 0 1 111.8 233.18 Tm0 g0 \text{Tm} \frac{1}{20} \text{Sp} \frac{5}{20} \text{Fp} \text{Sp} \text{Ad} \frac{3}{20} \text{A

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