

Multi-college Ethics Review Process: Procedure document

If you are using the [Ontario Community Colleges Multi-College Research Application Form](#) and wish to have it reviewed by the Expert Panel for review and recommendations on improving your research protocol to ensure that it complies with the various participating colleges' REBs review process, then you should first send your application to the Expert Panel REB Coordinator at rebcoordinator@sheridancollege.ca.

The Expert Panel will review the application and work with the researcher to make changes, if needed. Once the Expert Panel is satisfied with the application, they will issue the researcher with a letter of recommendation.

When the researcher submits his/her application, accompanying documents and the recommendation letter to the SLC-REB it will receive a preliminary review by the Research Services Office to decide on the scope of review required. If the application meets the SLC-OREB requirements for delegated review:

- Two members of the SLC-REB, likely the Chair and another member, will review the application.
- The reviewers determine ethical acceptability and, either asks for clarification on areas of concern or, if appropriate, issues the certificate of ethical approval to the researcher.
- All documents are stored and follow up procedures are carried out as per usual practice for SLC-REB approved applications.
- **Each college at which the research is conducted continues to be responsible for research conducted under its auspices.**

If you have any questions you can either email the Research Coordinator for the Expert Panel rebcoordinator@sheridancollege.ca or you may contact the SLC-REB Research Services Officer, Anthony Wright at awright@sl.on.ca.