

COVID-19 and Human Subjects Research at UIW Guidance
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The University has released [updated guidance](#) regarding the wearing of face masks, social distancing, and COVID safety protocols on campus. Please closely review this information.

Principal investigators conducting research projects on campus are advised to update their approved COVID-19 safety plans based on the most recent guidelines. UIW clinics may have stricter protocols in place; PIs conducting research in a UIW clinic should update their COVID-19 safety plans based on the most recent safety plan for the relevant clinic. Updated plans do not need to be re-reviewed by the IRB. If a research group or members of a research group encounter issues implementing changes to their safety plan for on-campus research, they should seek guidance from Dr. Nathan Johnson, Associate Vice President for Public Safety, at najohns2@uiwtx.edu.

For projects conducted off campus, safety plans should be updated according to [CDC guidelines](#) or the operational guidelines and policies specific to the site where the research is being conducted.

If a research protocol does not already include in-person procedures, [an amendment](#) is required to request IRB approval for the addition of in-person procedures.