### Objectives
- To inform, protect, and support research participants
- To support translational research across the CRUS through the RSA Program.
- To expand career development and education opportunities in research ethics
- To contribute to the National CTSA Consortium.

### Table of terms
- RSA: Research Subject Advocates
- RECS: Research Ethics Consultation Service
- CREW: Clinical Research Ethics Workgroup
- CRUS: Clinical Research Unit Services
- CGREAL: Center for Genetic Research Ethics and Law
- ELSI: Ethical, Legal and Social Issues

### Personnel

#### Core Leadership
Director: Insoo Hyun, PhD, CWRU  
Co-Director: Richard Sharp, PhD, Cleveland Clinic

#### Support Personnel
- Lauren Verbic, BA, Participant Liaison

#### Core Personnel
- Nicole Deming, JD, MA (RSA)
- Mark Aulisio, PhD (RSA)
- Sumita Khatri, MD, MS (RSA)
- Baha Arafah, MD (RSA)
- Jason Gatliff, PhD (VA Liason)

### Quick Facts

#### RSA Research Study Requests

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### Notable Accomplishments
- Established a network of specialized consultant services across CTSC institutions that provide rapid research ethics consultation for translational studies.
- Presented numerous educational seminars on clinical research ethics and regulations to a broad range of individuals at CTSC institutions, including: translational researchers, trainees, current research participants; and community organizations in the Cleveland metropolitan area.
- In collaboration with the Regulatory Knowledge and Support Core, streamlined IRB procedures across CTSC institutions with the establishment of institutional Memorandums of Understanding that reduce administrative burdens on translational scientists while maintaining the highest levels of protection for research participants.
- Contributed to national science policy debates on the provision of research ethics consultation services within the CTSA consortium. In addition to co-organizing the most recent national meeting of the CTSA Clinical Research Ethics Workgroup, Dr. Sharp is leading a multi-institutional effort to develop standard institutional approaches to research ethics consultation.
- Collaborated with The Center for Information & Study on Clinical Research Participation (CISCRP) to hold Aware for All education sessions for the public and increase public knowledge of the goals of translational research.