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From: Betty Donoval, JD, MS  
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To: Sponsors

Re: Compliance 2026

The Cook County Health Institutional Review Board (IORG00000119 expiration 07/11/2028) is included in the System's Federal Wide Assurance (FWA000001802 expiration 1/27/2030).

The IRB reviews human subject research protocols for all System affiliates:

John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County

Provident Hospital

Oak Forest Health Center of Cook County

Ambulatory and Community Health Network

Ruth Rothstein CORE Center

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The IRB follows 45 CFR 46, and IRB regulations contained in 21 CFR 50, 21 CFR 56, 45 CFR 160, and sub parts A and E of 45 CFR 164. The IRB also follows 21 CFR 11 for electronic records and signatures as part of IRBManager. The IRB is the privacy officer for human subject research and reviews for HIPAA compliance. The IRB is also largely ICH/GCP compliant within the limitations of the sponsor's compliance. The affiliation of every IRB member is noted on the roster.

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