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Dear Dr. Glenn:

SUBJECT: IRB EXEMPTION—REGULATORY OPINION
Investigator Contact: William Glenn, BA, JD, PhD
Protocol #: 19-386
Protocol Title: Sharon L. Jones Black Male Academic Achievement Study

This is in response to your request for an exempt status determination for the above-referenced protocol. Western Institutional Review Board's (WIRB's) IRB Affairs Department reviewed the study under the Common Rule and applicable guidance.

We believe the study is exempt under 45 CFR § 46.104(d)(1), because the goal of the study is for the exploration of high-poverty high school factors, including efficacy-nurturing practices that optimize Black male academic achievement. The research is conducted in an established education setting and it is not likely to adversely impact students' opportunity to learn required educational content or the assessment of educators who provide instruction. The research is not classified, is not FDA-regulated and does not involve prisoners. The research is consistent with the ethical principles in the Belmont Report.

This exemption determination can apply to multiple sites, but it does not apply to any institution that has an institutional policy of requiring an entity other than WIRB (such as an internal IRB) to make exemption determinations. WIRB cannot provide an exemption that overrides the jurisdiction of a local IRB or other institutional mechanism for determining exemptions. You are responsible for ensuring that each site to which this exemption applies can and will accept WIRB's exemption decision.

Please note that any future changes to the project may affect its exempt status, and you may want to contact WIRB about the effect these changes may have on the exemption status before implementing them. WIRB does not impose an expiration date on its IRB exemption determinations.

If you have any questions, or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Andrei Chertov, PhD, at 360-252-2458, or e-mail RegulatoryAffairs@wirb.com.

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