

HSRAC Review Policy

The Human Subjects Radiation Approval Committee (HSRAC) serves as a joint subcommittee for the Radiation Safety Committees (RSCs) of The University of Washington and Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. These RSCs have charged the HSRAC with reviewing and approving the use of ionizing radiation in research studies that include human subjects.

It is the policy of the HSRAC that all studies that include the use of research ionizing radiation must be reviewed and approved before subjects can be enrolled. Research ionizing radiation is defined as those procedures that are required by the study protocol but would not be performed if the subject were not enrolled in the study. **In many cases, especially in cancer studies, procedures required at screening may be the only procedures that fit this definition due to the short screening window required by the protocol.** Radiation procedures that are standard of care do not need HSRAC review and will not be considered part of the research.