

## **NIH/PRIM&R Survey: When is it Appropriate to Pay Research Participants? Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **Why should I do this survey?**

Payments to research subjects are controversial. Yet, there is little systematic knowledge about the diverse viewpoints people hold. We are therefore interested in your attitudes, opinions, and experiences regarding offers of payment, including reasons why you may find payment acceptable or unacceptable. These findings will be important for the research community and for IRBs.

### **Who is sponsoring this survey?**

The survey is sponsored by the [NIH Clinical Center Department of Bioethics](#) along with [PRIM&R](#), which is a national organization that “advances the highest ethical standards in the conduct of biomedical, social science, behavioral, and educational research.”

### **How was I chosen to be contacted for this survey?**

You were chosen in a random sample of individuals on PRIM&R mailing lists who have indicated an interest in institutional research and related matters.

### **What will you do with the data?**

The data will be used to inform the research community about opinions regarding payment of research participants.

### **Will my personal information be used for anything else?**

No, your personal information will be kept completely confidential, and will only be used for follow-up reminders to those who have not yet completed the survey.

### **Who do I contact if I need help with the questionnaire?**

If you need help completing the online questionnaire, please contact the Center for Survey Research at [surveys2@virginia.edu](mailto:surveys2@virginia.edu), or call (434) 243-5222.

If you have questions about the survey, please contact Robin Bebel, Project Coordinator, at [rbebel@virginia.edu](mailto:rbebel@virginia.edu), or (434) 982-5541.

### **If you need your personalized link sent to you again...**

Please email [surveys2@virginia.edu](mailto:surveys2@virginia.edu) with your request.