

PREP #4

Protecting Human Research Participants Certification

If you haven't already, complete the NIH training at <https://phrp.nihtraining.com>. This training reviews ethical considerations when performing research, protecting human research participants, and the Instructional/Institutional Review Board purpose. Upon successful completion of this training, you will receive an automatically-generated certificate.

Please save the certificate to your PREP folder on Google Drive, and title it "PHRP NIH Certificate".

Writing & Evaluating Your Research Problem (p. 32-35, 36a)

Throughout this course, continually consider what you are doing and for what purpose you are doing it. Doing so can help you focus your efforts toward achieving your ultimate purpose for gathering data: solving the problem.

You can get your project off to a strong start by beginning with an unmistakably clear statement of the "problem" your proposed research will be addressing. Once you've identified it, it's important to articulate it in such a way that it is carefully phrased and represents the single goal of your total research.

Use pages 32-34 of the textbook as a guide in crafting your research problem statement, and use the checklist that spans pages 35 and 36 to critically evaluate your statement. Respond to each of the six questions with (at least) a full sentence that demonstrates a thoughtful process.