TIME TO APPROVAL—FULL BOARD ONLY

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**TIME TO APPROVAL:** The median turnaround time (which is the time between initial submission of the protocol and final approval) has steadily decreased. This includes the time that the protocol was on the researcher’s queue to address pre-screening concerns, such as missing documents and post review stipulations.

![Time to Approval Graph](image)

**NEW APPLICATIONS:** The number of initial applications to CPHS has been increasing. From just over 500 initial new applications in the year 2005, CPHS received 1,137 initial applications in 2019 for review. In addition to these there were nearly 200 new submissions in the Quality Improvement Registry.

![New Applications Graph](image)

**REVIEW CATEGORY:** The UTHealth human research protection program has a continuous quality improvement component, which strives to improve the operation of CPHS by providing an efficient level of regulatory review with emphasis on human subjects protection and minimizing regulatory burdens. In 2019, less than 10% of the approved studies were reviewed by full board as compared to almost 30% in 2009.

![Review Category Graph](image)

**ALL SUBMISSIONS:** In 2019, CPHS reviewed and processed 12,077 submissions. Safety reports include reportable adverse events, DSMB reports and unanticipated problem reports. The ‘others’ category includes miscellaneous submissions.

![All Submissions Graph](image)

**CPHS FACULTY SURVEY:** Researchers are invited to complete the CPHS Faculty Survey when they receive an outcome letter from CPHS. Responses to the survey, including free text responses, are shared with the CPHS Executive Committee each