

COMPASS

LET COMPASS BE YOUR GUIDE

COMPASS is a guide to the evolving *Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans* (TCPS). It aims to inform the public and update members of Canada's research community on the Panel's progress and the evolution of the TCPS.



AGENCY PRESIDENTS (L TO R): CHAD GAFFIELD (SSHRC), SUZANNE FORTIER (NSERC), AND ALAIN BEAUDET (CIHR) PRESENT TCPS 2 IN A SHORT VIDEO AVAILABLE ON THE PANEL WEBSITE.

TCPS 2: APPROVED

Nov. 29, 2010. The Presidents of the research agencies (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC) announced their approval of the Panel's recommendations for the 2nd edition of the TCPS (TCPS 2). TCPS 2 has replaced the 1st edition of the TCPS (1998) as the official human research ethics policy of the Agencies. The Panel gratefully acknowledges the effort and input of the numerous groups and

individuals who contributed to the revision. Substantial changes to the Policy include a new set of core principles, clarified definitions, simplified articles and three new chapters. Please visit the Panel website to download your copy of TCPS 2 and to access the companion documents.

NEW TCPS 2 TUTORIAL TO COME ...

The launch of a new, interactive online tutorial is scheduled for late Feb. 2011. It has been designed with emphasis on applying TCPS 2 to real world situations. The original TCPS tutorial has been archived on the Panel website.



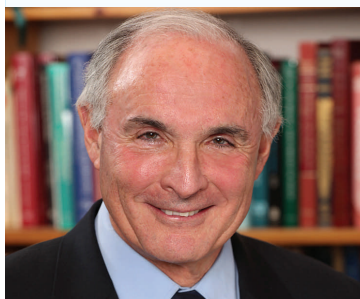
ADDITIONAL TCPS 2 TRAINING

A series of webinars and regional workshops are being planned to address the educational needs of TCPS 2 users. The Secretariat is planning the workshops in partnership with the research community to ensure relevant content and convenient timing. Live webinars will be filmed and later posted to the Panel website in the form of webcasts. Stay tuned for scheduling information that will be posted as it becomes available.

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PANEL WELCOMES NEW CHAIR AND PANEL MEMBERS

The Panel extends a hearty welcome to the new Chair and five new members who have joined their ranks. **Dr. Samuel K. Ludwin**



was a Panel member for five years before he was appointed Panel Chair in June 2010. From 1975 to July 2010, he specialized in research, teaching and the clinical practice of neuropathology. New panel members Dr. Judith Bartlett, Édith De Leury, Dr. Deborah Fels, Dr. Lisa Given, and Dr. Martin Schechter hail from backgrounds in family medicine, law, computer science, education and clinical epidemiology and equally diverse locations across Canada. They join the Panel at a dynamic time as the focus shifts from revision of the TCPS to the education initiatives supporting TCPS 2. The Panel and Secretariat bid farewell to past Chair Norman Frohlich and Panel members Marlene Brant Castellano, Dr. Laurie Chan and Dr. Timothy Caulfield, whose contributions were vital to the revision of the Policy. For Panel member biographies and more information on Panel activities in 2011, please visit the Panel website.

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