

	<b>SUBJECT PAYMENT</b>			
	<b>P &amp; P</b>	<b>VERSION DATE</b>	<b>REPLACES P &amp; P</b>	<b>PREVIOUS VERSION DATE</b>
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### **Subject Stipends and Travel Reimbursement**

Compensation to subjects must never constitute undue influence or coercion to participate and should be limited to nominal payment for time and the inconvenience of participation and/or travel expenses. Such compensation should not be construed nor described as a benefit of the research. Any payment(s) made must be prorated, based on time actually spent on the study, regardless of whether the subject completes the study.

The Research Team must document the payment arrangements as part of their research protocol and IRB application. Payment type, amount, and timeline must be approved in advance by the IRB before payments may be made to any subjects. This information must be outlined in the informed consent form (ICF) and communicated clearly to subjects during the informed consent process.

### **Payment for Costs Related to Subject Injury**

Subject injury costs are the costs that a subject in a study must pay for medical treatment of illness or injury that directly results from his/her participation in the trial.

For research involving more than minimal risk, the Federal regulations require informed consent documents to contain information on the availability and nature of compensation and medical treatments available if injury occurs, what they consist of and where further information may be obtained.

For industry-sponsored research, Sponsors are not legally required to volunteer to pay for Subject Injury Costs for any subject; however, it is the preference of LSUHSC that a Sponsor pay for all Subject Injury Costs, in accordance with AAHRPP Element I.8.A, or at the very least indemnify LSUHSC for subject injury. If a Sponsor chooses to pay Subject Injury Costs for subjects, then the Sponsor must be treated as the primary payer for those costs as required by The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). LSUHSC will NOT agree to initially bill Medicare, Medicaid HMO plans or any other governmental healthcare insurance for Subject Injury Costs, and then bill the Sponsor for what the governmental healthcare programs do not pay. Therefore, the LSUHSC IRB will NOT approve any consent language that states or implies that Sponsor will only cover Subject Injury Costs if insurance denies the claim.