



# PRIM&R

PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY IN  
MEDICINE AND RESEARCH

## Mission

To advance the highest ethical standards in research by providing education, membership, and professional resources to the medical, science, research and oversight community.

## Vision

A world in which all who contribute to and benefit from biomedical research embrace ethics, welfare, inclusion, and trust as central pillars of science and medicine.

## About

Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R) is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Boston, MA. Founded in 1974 amid clashes over drug policy, reproductive research, and the criminalization of scientific inquiry, a group of physicians, attorneys, and advocates came together to safeguard the integrity of research and uphold public trust in its pursuit.

Over the last 51 years PRIM&R has made tremendous advancements in research ethics and oversight with institutional review boards (IRBs), treatment of special populations, institutional animal care and use committees (IACUCs), HIV/AIDS, ethics surrounding the advancement of AI, machine learning, and big data, and more.

## Who We Serve

Academics | Bioethicists | Clinical researchers | Compliance personnel | Ethicists | Government agencies | Healthcare professionals | Institutional leadership | **The public** | QA/QI personnel | **Researcher Oversight Professionals** | Researchers | Scientists | **Students** | University leadership |

**With a community of 25,000 professionals - including 4,000 members and partners - from 40 countries, PRIM&R is a thought leader, trusted resource, and influential convener of public and private stakeholders in science and medicine.**



**When you give through your Donor-Advised Fund, you're not just making a donation—you're making a smart, strategic investment in the future and preservation of ethical research standards and practices that protect us all.**

**Your Impact: You fight for facts, ethics, and scientific advancements, and help to eliminate misinformation and the politicization of science and medicine.**

**Your investment in PRIM&R is put to it's highest and best use by funding:**

### **1.) Public education & engagement**

National programs that connect members of the general public to ethics and research professionals and build trust and understanding. Your investment will help fund the production of PRIM&R's 'Research Ethics Reimagined' Podcast, Public Understanding 'Community Conversations' Series, and Lead the Way Engagement & Education Program, answering community questions, concerns, and discussing how science adds value to our lives - longer life spans, better quality of life, and live-saving medicines.

### **2.) Support for researchers and the scientific community**

PRIM&R provides crucial professional trainings - including online learning and two credential programs - resources, and an abundant, diverse network to our 4,000 members around the U.S. Your investment will help fund scholarships for students, young professionals, and emerging institutions to participate and attend important convenings like PRIM&R's Annual Conference and regional convenings, such as the 'Research University' we organized in 2025 at the University of New Mexico. This free, two-day event covered topics like working with vulnerable populations, biosafety, and establishing collaborative relationships with sovereign nations.

### **3.) Public policy work advocating for public health, ethics, and safety**

PRIM&R leads coalitions advocating for ethical research systems, accountability, and transparency. Your investment will add capacity to track key regulatory developments through our Federal Public Policy Briefings program and shape policy creation by advising and providing expert input and formal comments to federal agencies PRIM&R has relationships with, like the FDA, OHRP, and OSTP, as well as congressional healthcare staff.

# Your Recognition

Those who give \$1,000 or more to PRIM&R during a fiscal year - January 1 through December 31 - are recognized through The Ampersand Society. Membership in The Ampersand Society entitles you to additional benefits and recognition while directly enabling PRIM&R and the PRIM&R community to make meaningful advances in ethical research policy initiatives, practices, and standards.

## Other Ways To Get Involved

- **Become a member.** Join 4,000+ professionals from every facet of biomedical and behavioral science and gain a variety of benefits and networking opportunities.
- **Subscribe and follow us** - PRIM&R has a weekly newsletter, quarterly digest, and accounts on [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#) packed with industry updates, best practices, resources, and opportunities.
- **Attend and/or sponsor the 2026 PRIM&R Annual Conference** November 16-18, 2026 in Denver. This is the largest event in the U.S. for educating and connecting research professionals in every sector while advancing ethical, responsible, high-quality research.
- **Listen to our 'Research Ethics Reimagined' podcast**, an original series exploring the past, present, and future of scientific and medical research and ethics through compelling stories, expert voices, and real-world dilemmas. New episodes featuring exciting guests are available for free on all major platforms.
- **Partner with PRIM&R** for a research collaboration, grant opportunity, or campaign.
- **Give another way.** PRIM&R gratefully accepts event sponsorships and gifts made by check or credit card; stock; matching gifts by an employer, including payroll deductions; bequests or planned gifts, and grants made through a community or family foundation.

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