

Compliance Corner - February 2007

Welcome to another exciting edition of the Compliance Corner! I know that in past editions of the Compliance Corner I mentioned to you that we have a Responsible Conduct of Research Program (RCR) and I invited you to request a session or workshop related to one of the topics for RCR. This is an important initiative for the university and I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you what has transpired during this current academic year related to this great program:

1. I have conducted workshops related to RCR for several undergraduate and graduate courses. These workshops have focused on topics such as research with human subjects, plagiarism, research misconduct and academic integrity. Of course, other topics related to RCR may also be presented and each workshop is tailored to meet the needs of each audience which seems to work well.
2. I have conducted workshops related to RCR with faculty and staff. These workshops have centered on research misconduct, conflicts of interest and patent information, confidentiality and human subjects research. As with the student workshops, these also may be tailored to fit the needs of the department or group.
3. Miami is a organizational member of the Responsible Conduct of Research Education Consortium. As a member of this group, we are involved in a partnership with only 34 other institutions to provide university-wide training on responsible research practices. I attended the international conference for RCREC recently and I was inspired by the work that we are doing and was pleased to see that much of what we do either parallels or exceeds those of other institutions which is due to the commitment that we all share here at Miami in terms of research integrity.
4. We also are in the final stages of an NIH grant that I received to conduct RCR training on our campus. This grant provides us with an opportunity to conduct university-wide training on RCR and also has funds to support any programming needs related to providing the training which is a wonderful benefit.

In closing, if you would like to learn more about our Responsible Conduct of Research Program and/or if you would like to have a training conducted for your department or office, please feel

free to send me an email (responsibleresearch@muohio.edu) or call at (513) 529-1757 . I look forward to working with you and sharing with you the interesting aspects of RCR!