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Challenging Cases in Research Ethics

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This is a recurring feature twice a year that highlights challenging cases, along with several commentaries that offer insights and perspectives about how to approach the issues raised by the cases. Each case typically is accompanied by three commentaries of 750 to 1000 words. The cases are based on consults received by members of the Clinical Research Ethics Consultation Collaborative. These cases have been presented at the Consultation Collaborative quarterly conference calls for group discussion. Explicit identifiers are removed from the case presentations. The purpose of this feature is to stimulate discussion by offering a range of perspectives on each case; therefore the outcome of the actual case is not included. If you are interested in having a case presented on one of the quarterly calls and communicated via this feature in AJOB, please contact Ellen Kuwana, the managing editor for this series. You do not have to be a member of a CTSA to present a case. This feature is supported by UL1 TR000423 (Institute of Translational Health Sciences).