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**Review of scientific and scholarly validity**

*Department Heads of the Principal Investigators are responsible for reviewing the scientific and scholarly validity of research. COUHES will rely on the Department Heads’ careful consideration and review of the following questions:*

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| 1. Are the research procedures the least risky procedures that can be performed consistent with sound research design? |
| Yes  No |
| 2. Is the research likely to achieve its aims? |
| Yes  No |
| 3. Is the proposed research of sufficient scientific importance to justify the risks entailed? |
| Yes  No |
| 4. Are there adequate resources (e.g. facilities, qualified staff, access to population that will allow recruitment of the requirement number of participants) to complete the study? |
| Yes  No |
| 5. For DoD sponsored or supported research involving Artificial Intelligence (AI), has the research considered the ethical principles for AI included in the Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "[Implementing Responsible Artificial Intelligence in the Department of Defense](https://media.defense.gov/2021/May/27/2002730593/-1/-1/0/IMPLEMENTING-RESPONSIBLE-ARTIFICIAL-INTELLIGENCE-IN-THE-DEPARTMENT-OF-DEFENSE.PDF)" |
| Yes  No  N/A |
| 5. Reviewer’s comments (optional), if any: |
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