

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Research Administrative Services

October 14, 2010

Gerunda B. Hughes, Ph.D.
Director
Office of Institutional Assessment and Evaluation
Office of the Provost
Howard University
Washington, DC 20059

RE: **IRB-10-ADM-02** "New Research on Graduation Rates at Historically Black Colleges and Universities."

Dear Dr. Hughes:

The IRB reviewed the above-referenced study at the September 8, 2010 meeting and granted exemption in accordance with 45 CFR 46.101 (b) (2) & (4). Any changes including changes or modifications to the protocol must be reviewed and approved by the IRB prior to initiation.

Sincerely,



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