

## C4R Manuscript Review Policy for SHS P&P

There are 14 NHLBI population cohorts involved in the Collaborative Cohort of Cohorts for COVID-19 Research (C4R) study. To reduce the administrative burden of the C4R team, the Strong Heart Study (SHS) will expedite the Publications and Presentations (P&P) committee review of C4R manuscript proposals using the following process:

1. If the SHS investigator listed on the project is a P&P committee member, then the submitted proposal will be forwarded to the SHS investigator as quickly as possible. The SHS investigator will review the proposal with the goal of returning comments within 48 hours. Given the extensive clinical and analytical expertise of C4R investigators, the SHS investigator will not need to do a scientific review of the proposal, but will review the proposal for the following:
  - a. Potential culturally sensitive language and topics.
  - b. SHS co-authorship is included, when warranted.
  - c. Help facilitate SHS tribal review, as manuscripts including SHS data will need tribal approval before submission.
2. If the SHS investigator listed on the project is not a P&P committee member, the SHS investigator will be contacted to suggest a P&P committee member to review. Then the process listed in item 1 will be followed.
3. If an SHS investigator is not listed on the project. Dr. Shelley Cole will be contacted to suggest an SHS investigator/P&P committee member that should be included. Then the process listed in item 1 will be followed.

Finally, we will include a checkbox on the online paper proposal form so that the SHS P&P is alerted to follow this specific policy to facilitate the expedited review of C4R proposals.