

"Institutional Review Board Approval"

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) Protocol #98-12 was reviewed and approved by the NCHS Institutional Review Board (IRB) prior to the start of NHANES 1999 data collection. Since then, the IRB has conducted annual reviews and approved continuations of the protocol. In 2003, the IRB changed its name to the NCHS Research Ethics Review Board. The NCHS ERB recently reviewed the request for approval of Continuation of Protocol #98-12 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) on 06/16/2004. Continuation of Protocol #98-12 is approved until **January 19, 2005**.