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## The following important message is being sent to you on behalf of Dr. Richard L. Schilsky, M.D., Associate Dean for Clinical Research:

The Clinical Research Policy Board was established to assist the Division of the Biological Sciences and the University of Chicago Hospitals in developing the optimal infrastructure to facilitate clinical research studies and to insure that such studies meet prevailing standards for the protection of human subjects and regulatory compliance. As such, the Clinical Research Policy Board has developed and approved the attached policy statement. This policy has been approved by Dean Madara and Kenneth Kates.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that clinical care services and supplies provided to participants in clinical trials are accurately billed by distinguishing the services and charges as either research-related or conventional care. This distinction will help ensure that non-billable research-related charges are appropriately and accurately charged to a research account rather than to the research participant and/or their third party payor.

Please note that <u>all</u> studies (including investigator-initiated studies) involving clinical care services and supplies that are considered research-related will <u>now</u> require this distinction of services to be on file with the Office of Clinical Research.

This policy will be distributed and implemented by the Office of Clinical Research. Please feel free to call the Office of Clinical Research at 4-9799 if you have questions about the policy. Thank you.