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Mary-Ann Winkelmes
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RE: *Illinois Initiative on Transparency in Learning and Teaching*
IRB Protocol Number: 10015

Dear Mary-Ann:

Thank you for submitting the completed IRB application form for your project entitled *Illinois Initiative on Transparency in Learning and Teaching*. Your project was assigned Institutional Review Board (IRB) Protocol Number 10015 and reviewed. It has been determined that the research activities described in this application meet the criteria for exemption at 45CFR46.101(b). Category 1 applies because this research seeks to identify which small changes to teaching and learning practices produce the greatest impact on student learning.

This determination of exemption only applies to the research study as submitted. **Exempt protocols are approved for a maximum of three years.** Please note that additional modifications to your project need to be submitted to the IRB for review and exemption determination or approval before the modifications are initiated. To submit modifications to your protocol, please complete the IRB Research Amendment Form (see <http://irb.illinois.edu/?q=forms-and-instructions/research-amendments.html>).

We appreciate your conscientious adherence to the requirements of human subject research. If you have any questions about the IRB process, or if you need assistance at any time, please feel free to contact me or the IRB Office, or visit our website at <http://www.irb.illinois.edu>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sue Keehn'.

Sue Keehn, Director, Institutional Review Board