

## LET COMPASS BE YOUR GUIDE

COMPASS is a guide to the evolving *Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans* (TCPS). It aims to inform the public and update members of Canada's research community on PRE's progress and the evolution of the TCPS.

## LAUNCHED: 2ND DRAFT EDITION OF TCPS



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PRE presented the draft 2nd Edition of the TCPS to the presidents of the three federal research agencies on December 3, 2008. The draft is PRE's first attempt at a comprehensive revision to the TCPS since its adoption by the Agencies in 1998. Changes proposed in the draft include the integration of feedback collected through consultations, additional chapters on qualitative research and research with Aboriginal peoples, simplified articles followed by applications, revised terminology, updated guidelines, and new provisions such as two tables of concordance to assist with comparative review of the two versions.

## CHART THE COURSE OF HUMAN RESEARCH ETHICS

Your feedback is key to our consultation process. Download the draft 2nd edition of the TCPS at [www.pre.ethics.gc.ca](http://www.pre.ethics.gc.ca). Participate in our regional consultations, share your comments via the online consultation form or e-mail them to [draft2e@pre.ethics.gc.ca](mailto:draft2e@pre.ethics.gc.ca). The consultation period ends March 31, 2009.

### TCPS ON TOUR

Find **Consultation Tour** schedules and online registration our new website at [www.pre.ethics.gc.ca](http://www.pre.ethics.gc.ca)

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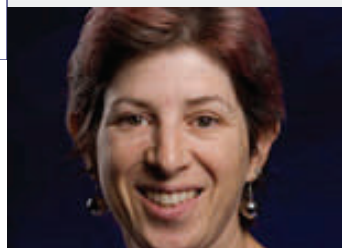
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## NEW PANEL MEMBERS

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