## Final Policy: December 21, 2016

Re: Munn Nursing Research Award

## Munn Award IRB and Project Initiation Policy

Munn Nursing Research Award proposal authors may go forward with obtaining IRB approval after formally submitting an application for the Munn Nursing Research Award. However, because authors are submitting a proposal for a Munn Nursing Research Award that will be peer reviewed as part of the application process, reviewers may have recommendations that affect the submitted proposal.

If the proposal is funded, the proposal authors will meet with the Munn Nursing Research Award Committee Co-chairs and a Nurse Scientist from the Munn Center for Nursing Research, shortly after the award is announced to discuss the reviewer comments, and the terms of the grant. If the proposed project has received IRB approval prior to the notification of grant award, the authors will have to submit an amendment to the IRB to incorporate any changes to the proposal that are recommended by the Munn Award review team.

Munn Award applicants cannot execute their proposed project, even after IRB approval, until after peer review for the Munn Award has occurred, a funding determination has been made, and the post-award meeting as taken place. This typically occurs in May. If proposal authors are not funded a Munn Award, they may use the proposal or proceed with the study as they wish per the IRB guidelines.