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[*] indicates an agency of the Provincial Health Services Authority Child & Family Research Institute  
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[https://www.northernhealth.ca/sites/northern_health/files/health-professionals/research/documents/nh-research-operational-approval.pdf](https://www.northernhealth.ca/sites/northern_health/files/health-professionals/research/documents/nh-research-operational-approval.pdf)

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Operational approvals are also facilitated through the Research Ethics Office.
are considered social science and behavioural research unless a clinical intervention is involved. Common methods include, but are not limited to, interviews, focus groups, surveys, questionnaires, behavioural therapy workshops, experimental coaching, observations, and secondary use of data. Behavioural and social sciences studies can be about health and include health care providers and patients, where the goal is not to modify direct patient clinical care (e.g., diagnosis, medication, or treatment). When clinical charts are being accessed for a behavioural study full patient consent is required. Retrospective medical chart review projects should be submitted using the Clinical application form.

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