The Mount Wachusett Community College Institutional Review Board (IRB) is responsible for safeguarding the rights of people who participate in research conducted by members of the college community or others on our campus. Mount Wachusett Community College is committed to the ethical guidelines set forth in federal regulations regarding any human subjects research. Any research involving human subjects conducted by MWCC faculty, staff, or students, or sponsored in whole or in part by MWCC, must be reviewed and approved prior to the start of the project. The IRB reviews all proposed research in order to objectively analyze the potential risk to research participants and to ensure that research meets federal guidelines to protect participants. The IRB process ensures that the College is meeting the objectives of protecting people’s privacy, health, and safety, and people’s ability to participate voluntarily in human subject research. For complete guidelines and IRB forms, visit the webpage of the MWCC Institutional Review Board (https://mwcc.edu/about-mwcc/offices/academic-affairs/institutional-research-board).