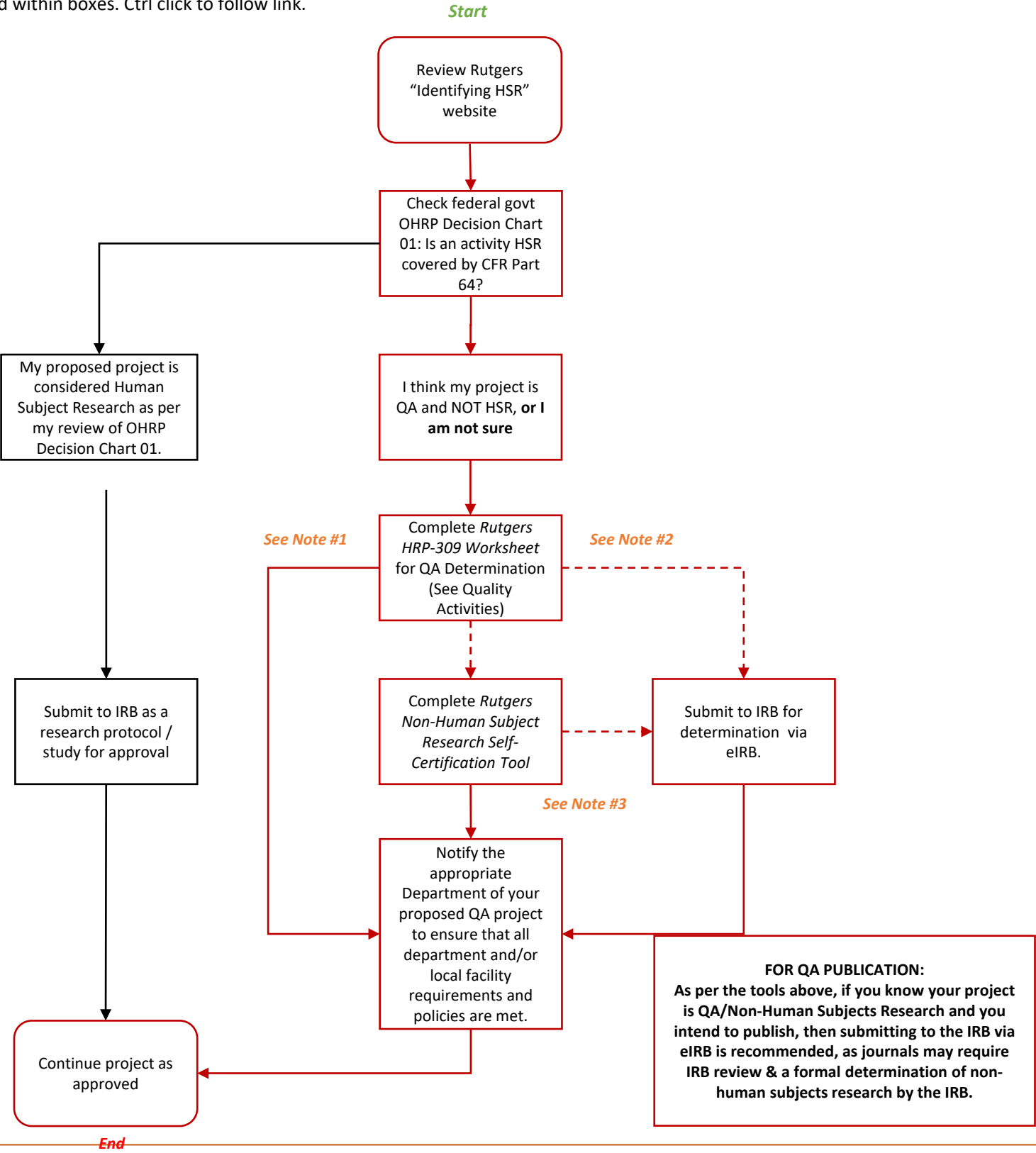


Resources to determine if a project is Human Subject Research (HSR) or a Quality Activity (QA)* and if it requires Institutional Review Board (IRB) Approval

*Links embedded within boxes. Ctrl click to follow link.



***Quality Activity (QA)** is a general term that includes quality improvement and quality assurance projects.

Note #1: If the self-reported responses to the HRP-309 Worksheet indicate that the project is QA, a formal submission to the IRB is not required and you may continue by notifying the appropriate Department of your proposed QA project. However, it is still recommended that you complete the Rutgers Non-Human Subject Research Self-Certification Tool.

Note #2: If the self-reported responses to the HRP-309 Worksheet indicate that the project is not QA, or if they are inconclusive, submit to the IRB for determination via eIRB using the Non-Human Subjects Research form.

Note #3: The Rutgers Non-Human Subject Self-Certification tool yields an unofficial assessment. If a **formal determination of QA is required** (e.g., journal publication requirement), submit to the IRB via eIRB. If **no formal determination of QA is required**, you may continue by notifying the appropriate Department of your proposed QA project.

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