

Overview of Ethics Review Process

Before you begin your research, please work through the online [checklist](#) to determine whether your research needs ethics review.

Additional or alternative ethics review may be required:

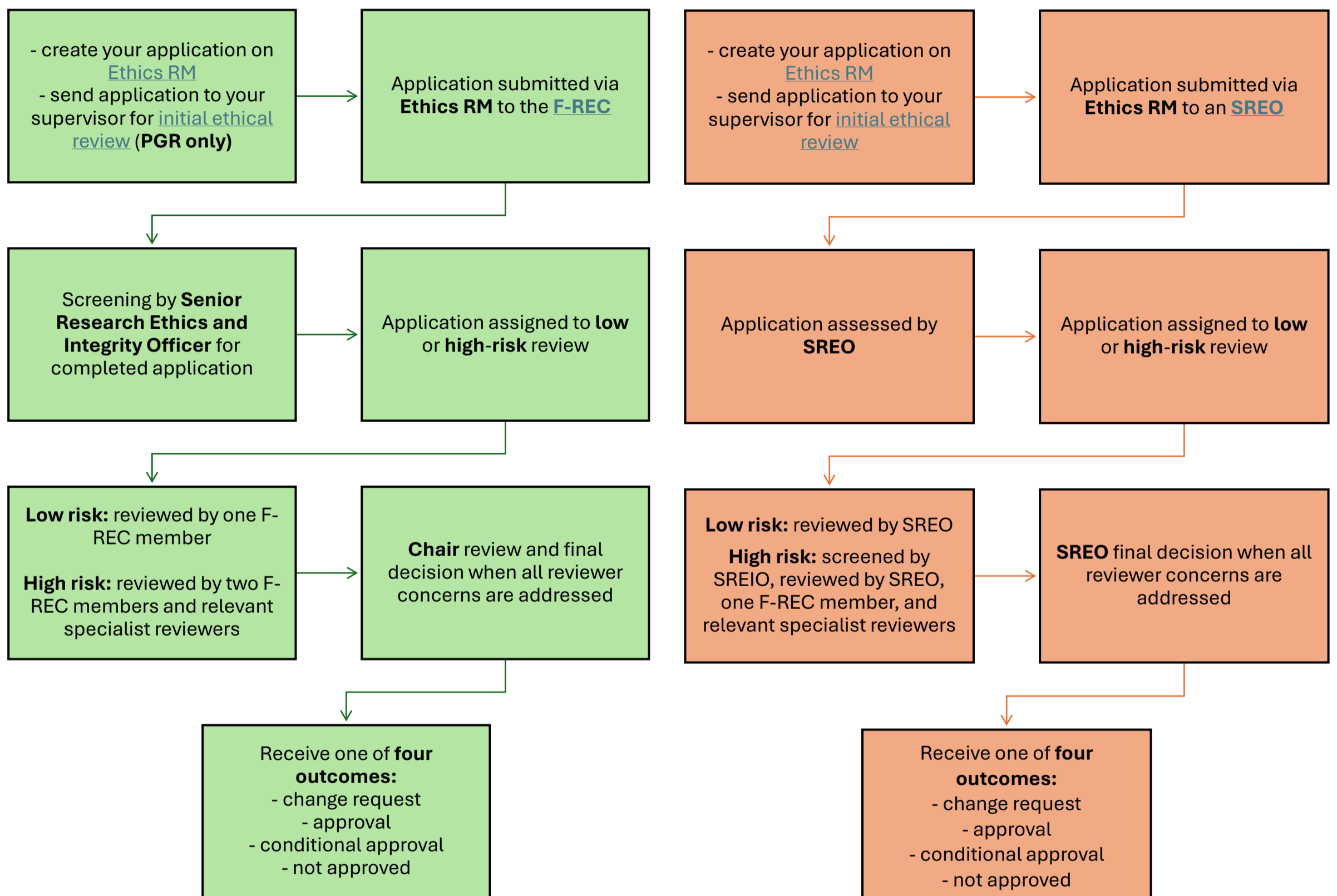
[AWERB](#): if your research involves **animals**

[Research Sponsorship](#): if your research relates to the **NHS, HRA, Social Care, HMPPS, or the Ministry of Defence**

Please also check with your [Faculty](#) and/or module convenor for whether you need ethics review as part of your module or course requirements.

Staff/PGR

UG/PGT



Information on outcomes:

- **Change request** – address all feedback and resubmit your application before you begin your research.
- **Conditional approval** – you may begin your research on the basis that you address any minor outstanding feedback. The committee does not normally need to review the application again.
- **Approval** – you may begin your research.
- **Not Approved** – application is removed from review.

Amendments:

- If your research already has ethics approval and you plan to make changes to your protocol, you will need to submit an amendment to the **F-REC** (staff/PGR) or the **SREO** (UG/PGT)
- You can submit an amendment by following the instructions [here](#)
- Unless there are additional material ethical issues arising from the amendment, the amendment is reviewed by only the Chair (staff/PGR) or by the SREO (UG/PGT)

You must not begin your research until you obtain all relevant approvals.