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ARCH-IRB Overview
Faculty Senate-March 2025

Background & Context

- A 2022 Huron Consulting Engagement recommended replacement of antiquated legacy eIRB system, which was inefficient and lacked adherence with updated Common Rule (HHS)
- Product Selection- An RFP and selection process was undertaken to select its replacement, resulting in the selection of the Huron IRB platform
- Huron IRB is the leading product in the market nationally and used by more R1 Universities and academic medical centers than any other product
- Designed with both software and IRB toolkit/SOPs that is fully compliant with 2018 Common Rule and AAHRPP Accreditation requirements

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ARCH IRB Facts

- ARCH stands for Administration & Research Collaborative Hub and is also a reference to the St. Louis Arch
- Scalable to additional modules in the future (e.g. Conflicts of Interest)
- Features single sign-on for easy access
- Currently working on migration of all existing studies from eIRB into the ARCH platform
- Link to the system is available on the SLU MyApps page

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ARCH-IRB Features/Capabilities

- Library of SOPs, Templates, Worksheets, & Checklists for reference and use by researchers, IRB staff, and IRB reviewers
- Direct feeds from CITI to manage user compliance training status
- Training resources like slides and recorded videos available at any time. In-person training also ongoing and available.
- User dashboard interface with existing active studies, current submissions, enhanced transparency & review status with prompt emails if something is awaiting your action
- Used for both SLU IRB and IRB reliance management
- Single interface for all aspects of the IRB process
- System and processes designed to align templates, checklists, and review processes with regulatory and approvability requirements

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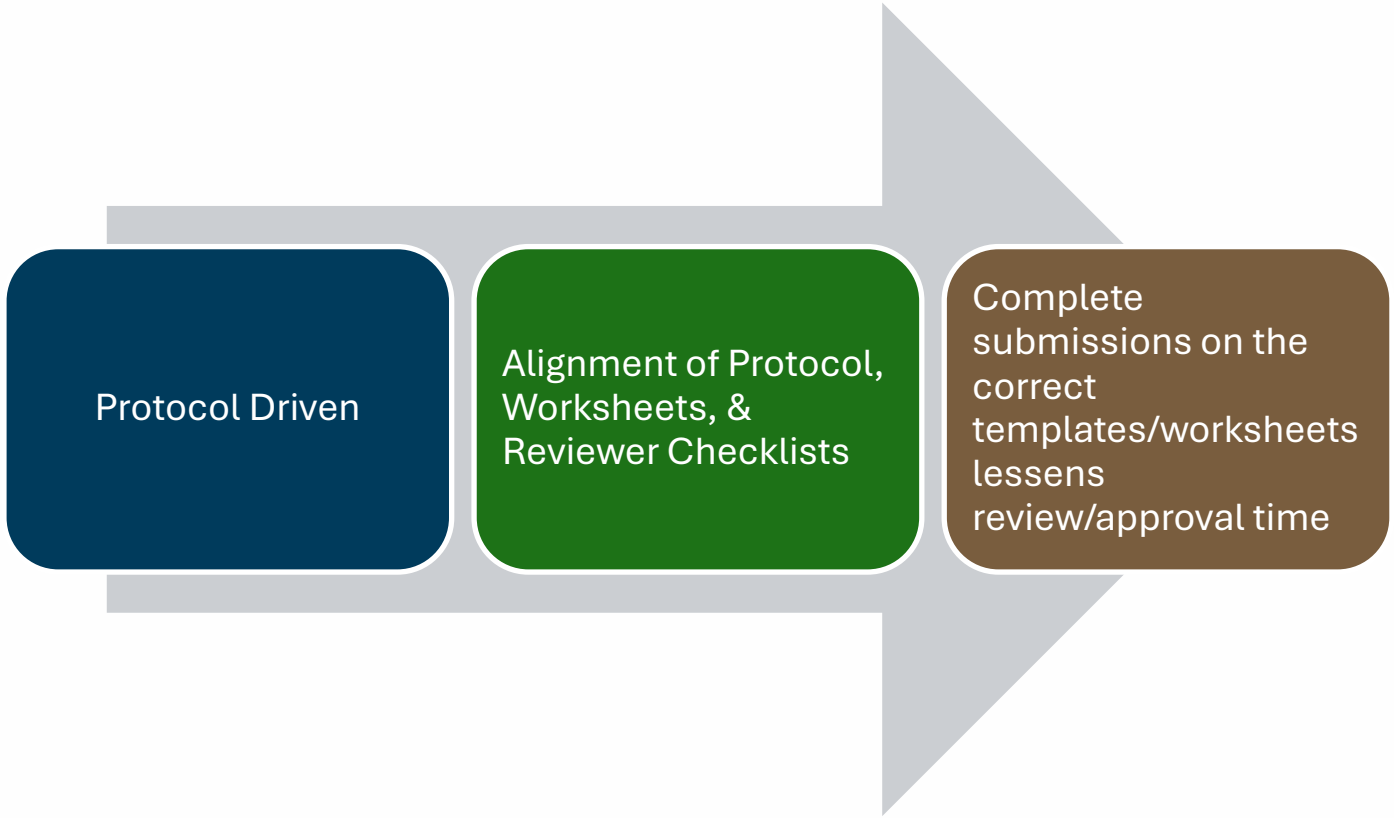
ARCH-IRB Process



- Protocol templates contain guidance to point you to the correct corresponding worksheet(s)
- IRB staff will provide link to appropriate templates/worksheets in their comments/stipulation

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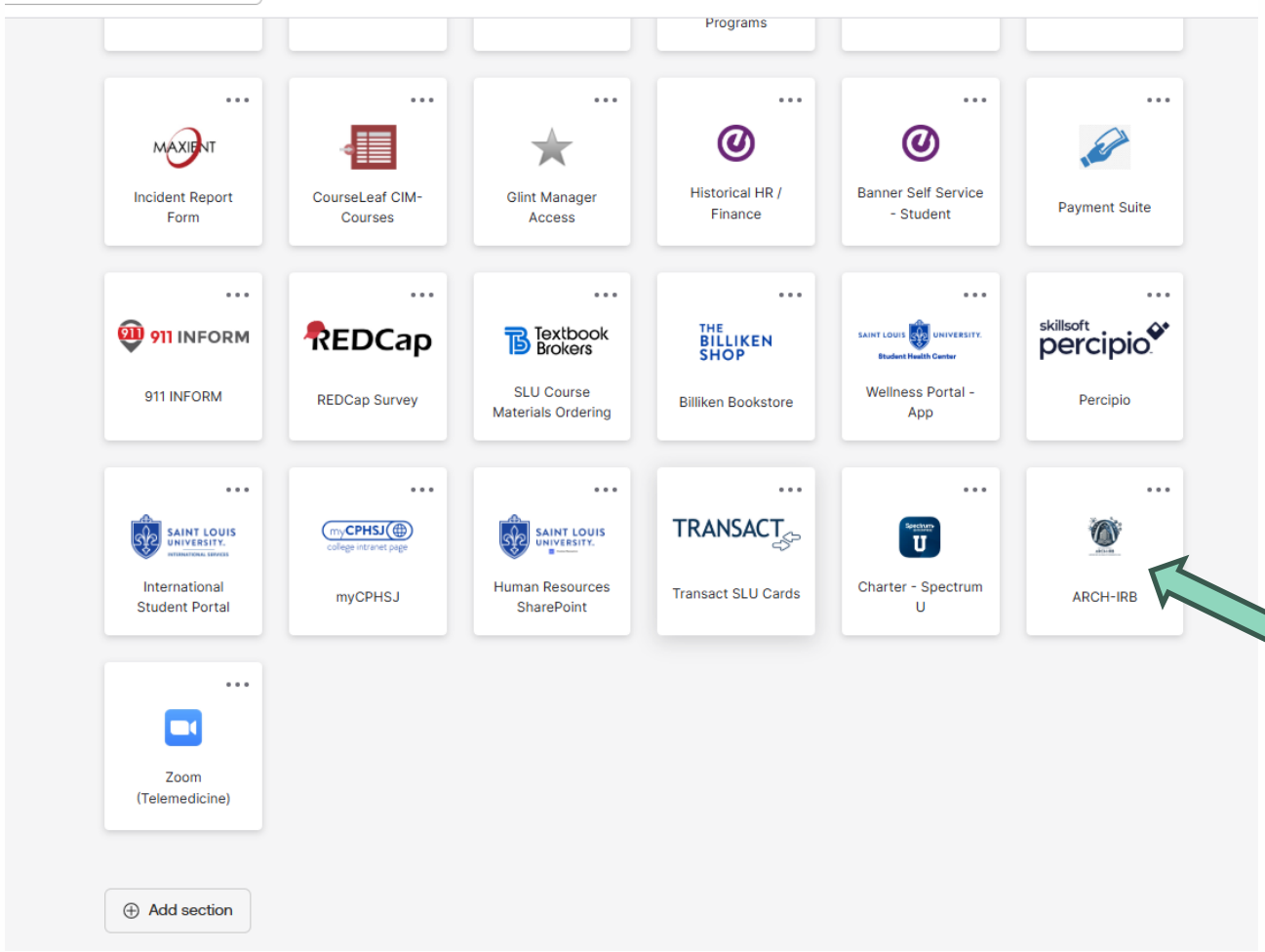
ARCH IRB System Preview



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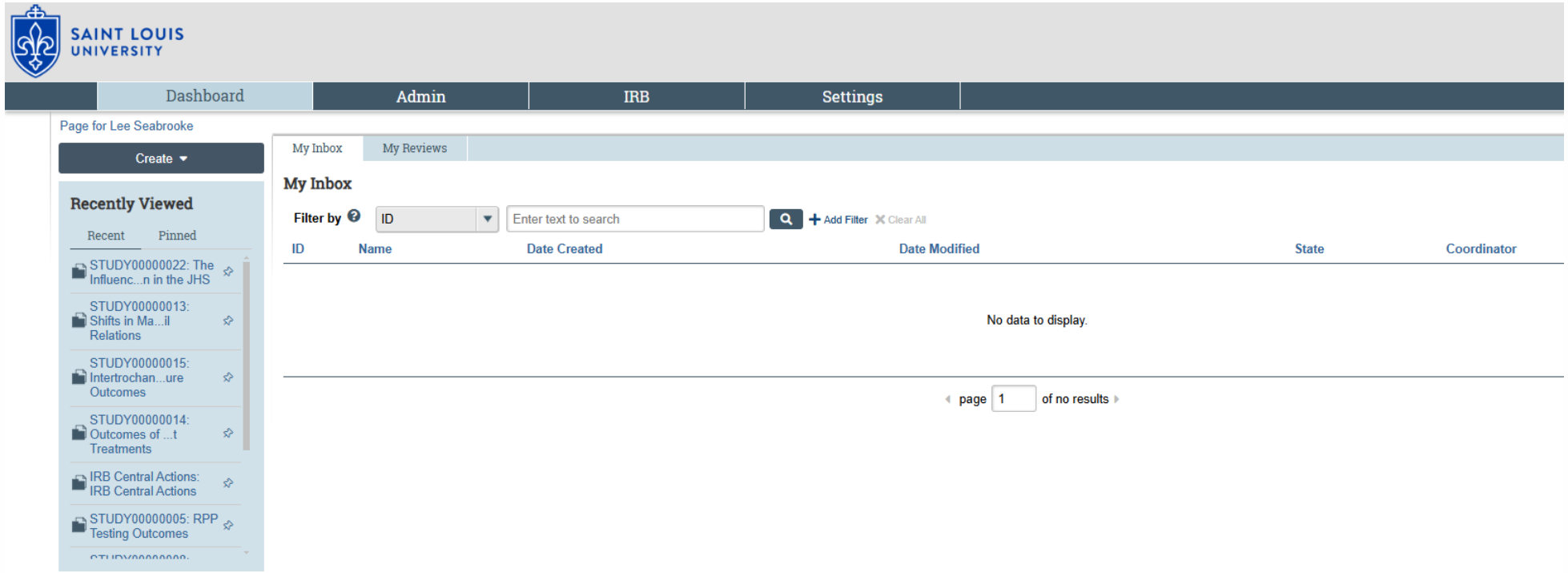
ARCH IRB Dashboard



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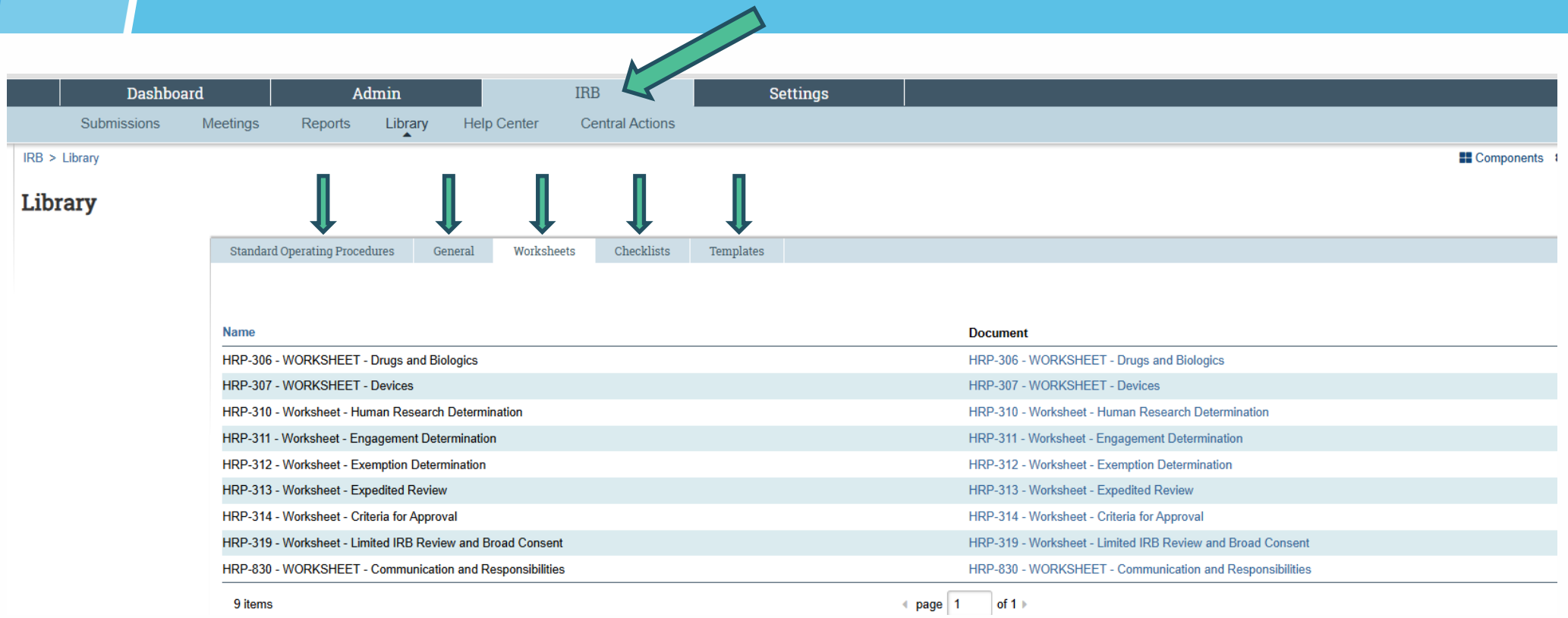

- For Investigator-Initiated Studies, please use our protocol templates to ensure complete submissions and lessen turnaround times

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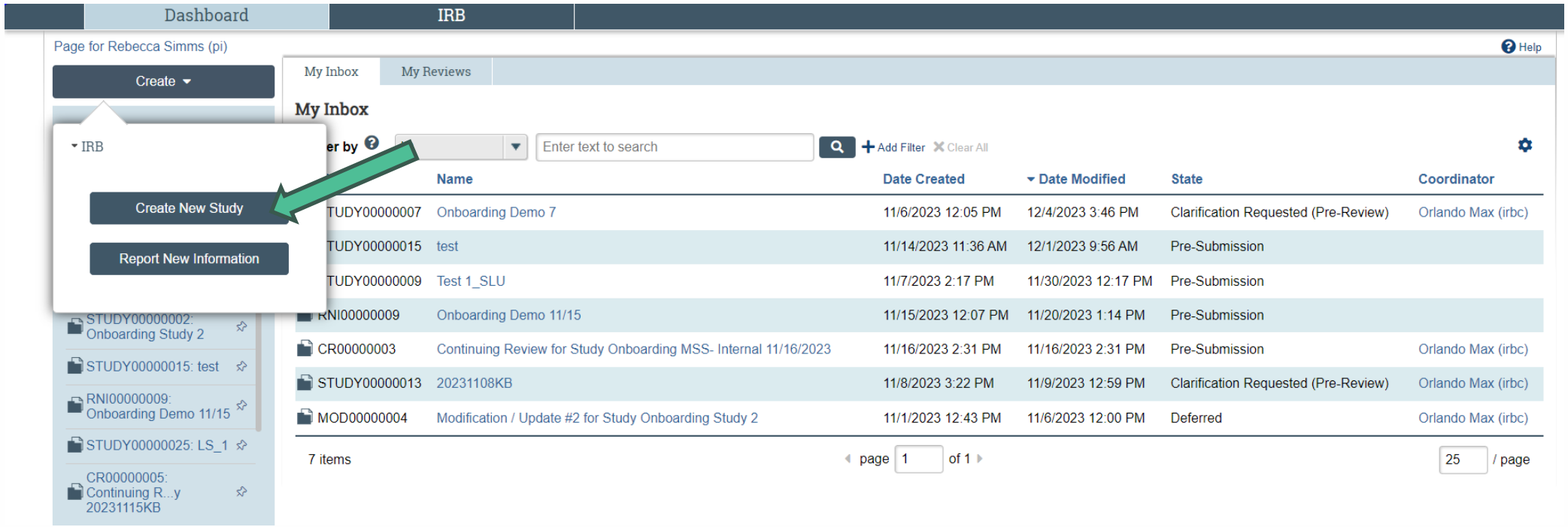

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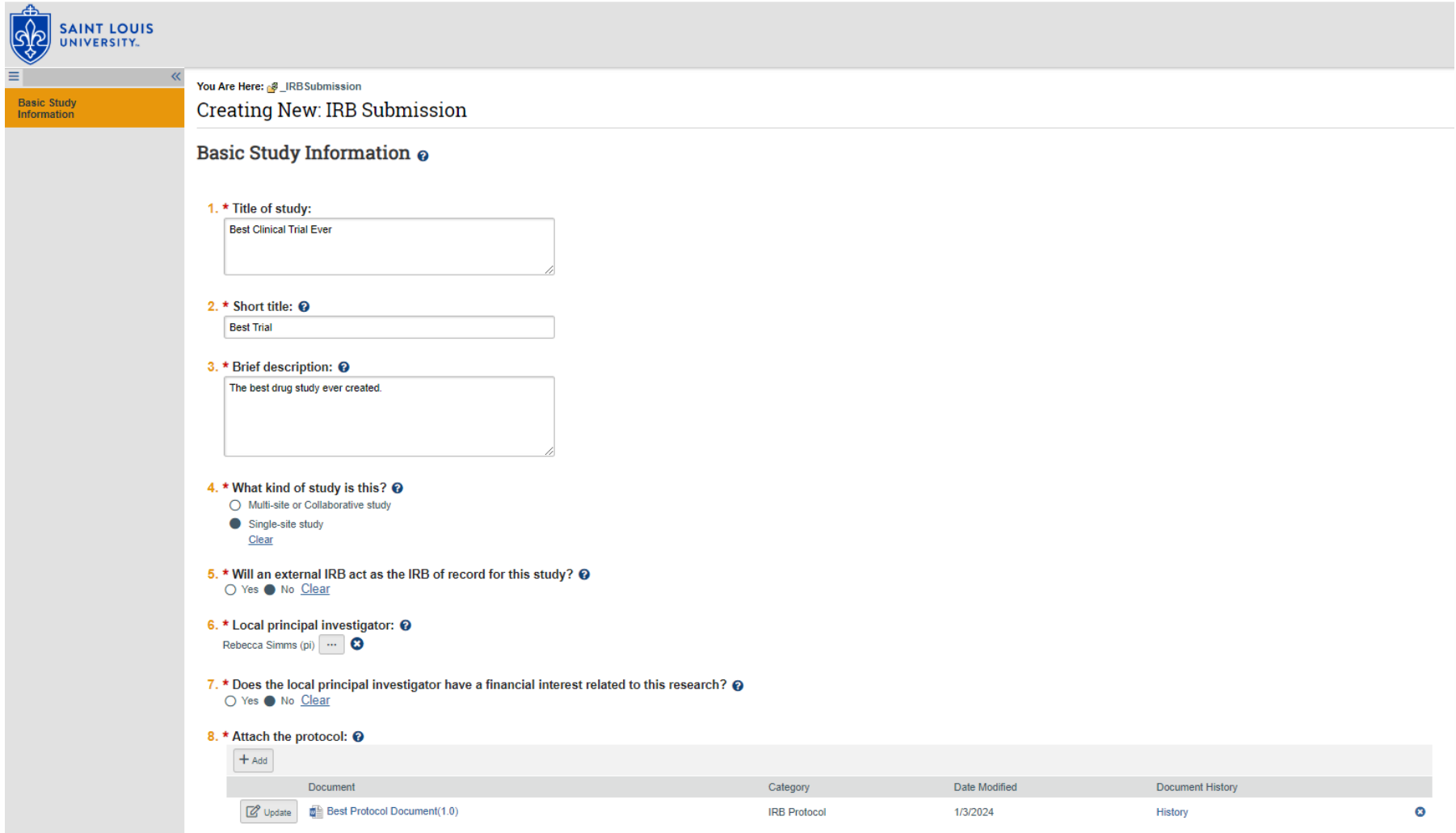

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ARCH IRB System Preview

Study Funding Sources

Local Study Team Members

Study Scope

Drugs

Devices

Local Site Documents

1. **Consent forms:** (include an HHS-approved sample consent document, if applicable)

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2. **Recruitment materials:** (add all material to be seen or heard by subjects, including ads)

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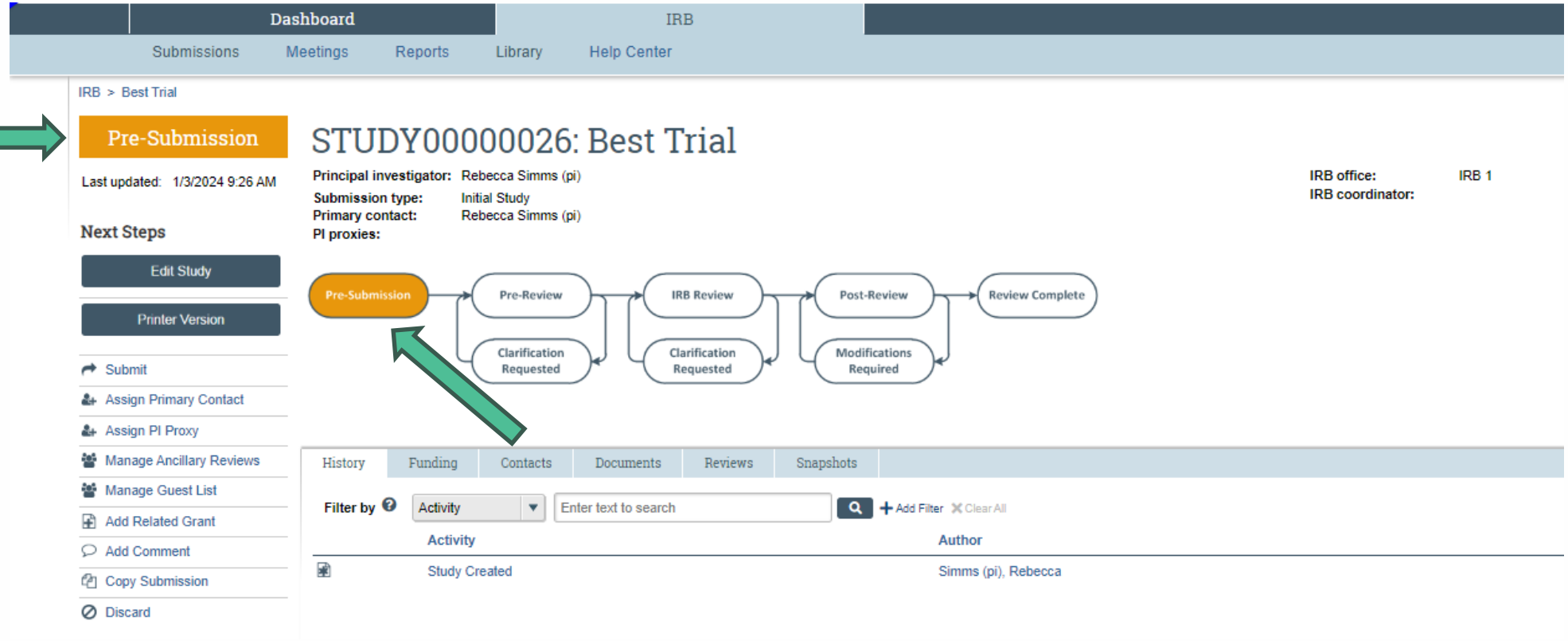

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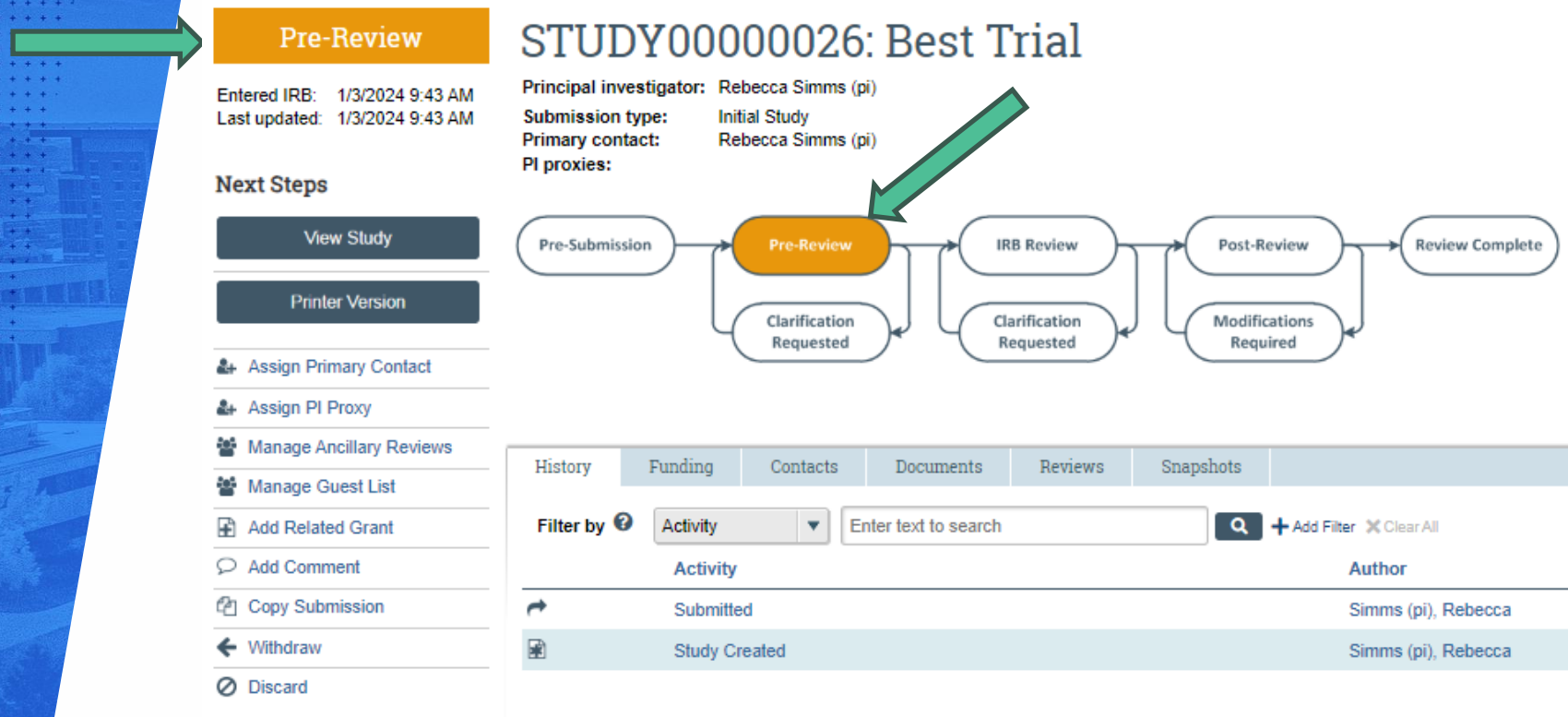

ARCH IRB System Takeaways

- SLU IRB system and processes now fully aligned with industry standards, best practices, and regulatory requirements
- Please use our protocol templates for investigator-initiated studies – additional attention on the submission on the front end will save time in the review/approval timeframe
- There will be a learning curve to adapt from the legacy eIRB system
- Don’t get or stay frustrated…training is ongoing and available to you. Just contact the SLU IRB at irb@slu.edu
- We are open to discussions and conversations if you experience challenges. We can’t help if we don’t know.

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Questions?