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To: Research Ethics Education Supervisors (Heads of Departments)

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Implementation of the Research Ethics Training Program (eAPRIN)

Nagoya University requires all personnel engaged in research activities to complete the e-learning program on research ethics (hereinafter “eAPRIN”) provided by the Association for the Promotion of Research Integrity (APRIN), in order to acquire ethical standards in research and to promote responsible research practices.

Accordingly, we kindly ask you to inform all eligible personnel within your department to check their training status and, if their certification has expired or they have not yet completed the training, to take the course following the procedures below.

1. Persons Required to Take the Course

Among those listed in the table below, individuals whose eAPRIN completion certificate for the course designated by the University **expired on March 31, 2026, or those who have not yet taken eAPRIN:**

Faculty Members and Researchers

Professors, Associate Professors, Lecturers, Assistant Professors, Research Associates Designated Professors/Associate Professors/Lecturers/Assistant Professors Hospital Professors/Associate Professors/Lecturers/Assistant Professors JSPS Research Fellows, etc.

Applicants for External Funding (e-RAD registrants)

Emeritus Professors, Joint Researchers, Technical Staff, Medical Staff, etc.
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Others Engaged in Research Activities

Engineers, Technical Assistants, Student Research Assistants (RA), Technical Staff, etc.
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*Those not listed above may also take the course if they wish.

*Students follow a different procedure; please refer to “7. Frequently Asked Questions (eAPRIN).”

2. Validity Period

At Nagoya University, certification is valid for five fiscal years, including the year of completion (institutional validity period). Please check the validity period of your certificate on the eAPRIN website or via “eAPRIN Registered User Information” (see below).

Fiscal Year of Course Completion	Training Required	Not Required			
	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Most Recent Completion Date	~2022. 3. 31	2022. 4. 1~ 2023. 3. 31	2023. 4. 1~ 2024. 3. 31	2024. 4. 1~ 2025. 3. 31	2025. 4. 1~ 2026. 3. 31
Institutional Validity Expiration Date	2026. 3. 31	2027. 3. 31	2028. 3. 31	2029. 3. 31	2030. 3. 31

Note: When applying for external funding, completion of research ethics training as required by the institution is often a condition of application. If the institutional validity period has expired, applications may be rejected. Please ensure your certification is valid before applying.

3. How to Check Training Status and Registration Information

You can check your eAPRIN status and registration details (account registration, username, registered email address, etc.) at: <https://thers-aprin.adm.nagoya-u.ac.jp/account/>

4. How to Take the Course

Please log in to the APRIN website below and complete the eAPRIN course:

<https://edu.aprin.or.jp/>

Registration with Nagoya University is required to take the course. You can confirm your registration status via “eAPRIN Registered User Information” above.

5. Course Selection

Please take one course appropriate to your research field (multiple courses may also be taken):

FY2026 NU Course (Biomedical)

FY2026 NU Course (Engineering)

FY2026 NU Course (Humanities)

6. Newly Appointed Faculty/Researchers (FY2026) and Mid-Year Appointees

An email with course instructions will be sent from our office to your institutional email

address within approximately one month after appointment. Please complete the course promptly. (If you do not receive the email, please contact us.) If you have already completed eAPRIN at another institution, please submit your certificate (PDF) issued on or after April 1, 2022. We will review whether it satisfies the University's required modules and inform you accordingly.

7. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Can students take the course?	Yes. Registration and management are handled by each department. Please consult your departmental Students Affairs Saction (This procedure has changed since FY2025).
I am not sure whether I have an account / I do not know my user ID or course status	Please check via "eAPRIN Registered User Information": https://thers-aprin.adm.nagoya-u.ac.jp/account/ *You will be redirected to the THERS system account authentication page.
I do not know my password	Method 1: Contact the office below (password reset). Method 2: Click "Forgot username/password" on the login page. An email will be sent to your registered email address.
I would like to create a new account or obtain an application form	Please download "eAPRIN Registration Form" from the following website https://www.aip.nagoya-u.ac.jp/risk-management/fair/eaprin and send it to the contact below. * This also applies to those who are not originally required to take the course but wish to do so.
Is there a user manual?	Available on the website: https://www.aip.nagoya-u.ac.jp/risk-management/fair/eaprin

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