Flow Chart of Intellectual Property Disclosure

1. **Principal Investigator**
   - Invention disclosure
   - IP disclosure meeting
   - Tech Transfer Staff review
     1. Nature of invention
     2. Who has rights to invention
     3. Patentability and marketability of invention
   - Decision NOT to pursue patent
     - May assign rights to Inventor
       - No market interest in licensing
         - Inventor may do with invention as he/she sees fit and at their own expense
   - Decision to pursue patent
     - Provisional Patent application filed
       - Locate licensing opportunities
         - Potential licensees identified
           - Utility Patent Application filed
             - Arrangements for Provisional Application to “convert” to Utility Patent Application to protect the rights of the invention for an extended period of time
             - Disclosure perfected and application for provisional patent filed
               - Many months spent gauging market interest for invention
               - Parties who will potentially license invention are identified and contacted.