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Full Project Title:

I/WE, the researcher(s) agree:

- To only start this research project after obtaining final approval from the Institution's Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC);
- To only carry out this research project where adequate funding is available to enable the project to be carried out according to good research practice and in an ethical manner;
- To provide additional information as requested by the HREC;
- To provide progress reports to the HREC as requested, including a final report and a copy of any published material at the end of the research project;
- To maintain the confidentiality of all data collected from or about project participants;
- To notify the HREC in writing immediately if any change to the project is proposed and await approval before proceeding with the proposed change;
- To notify the HREC in writing immediately if any adverse event occurs after the approval of the HREC has been obtained;
- To agree to an audit if requested by the HREC;
- To only use data and any tissue samples collected for the study for which approval has been given;
- To only grant access to data to authorised persons; and
- To maintain security procedures for the protection of privacy, including (but not restricted to): removal of identifying information from data collection forms and computer files, storage of linkage codes in a locked cabinet and password control for access to identified data on computer files.

I/we have read the NH&MRC *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans 1999* and will observe the principles set out in that document and in the *Declaration of Helsinki*.

Name of principal researcher

Signature

Date

Name of researcher

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