

## **NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL**

### **Research Ethics Committee and Regulatory Approvals Clearance**

Under the Deed of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Institution in respect of NHMRC research funding schemes, the Institution must meet clearance requirements and obtain and maintain, as required, the necessary approvals for the duration of the Project.

#### **Human Research Ethics Committee Approval**

In advising the NHMRC that a research proposal has been reviewed and approved by a human research ethics committee, the Institution is to ensure that the human research ethics committee complies with the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)* in terms of Section 5.1 (the committee's composition and the appointment of members, and the procedures it follows).

See [http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/\\_files/e72.pdf](http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/_files/e72.pdf)

#### **Animal Research Ethics Committee Approval**

In advising the NHMRC that a research proposal has been reviewed and approved by an animal ethics committee, the Institution is to ensure that the ethics committee complies with the *Australian Code of Practice for the Care and Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes* in terms of Section 2 – Responsibilities of institutions and their animal ethics committees. See <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/ea16syn.htm>

#### **Gene Technology Approval**

In advising the NHMRC that a research proposal has been reviewed and approved by an institutional biosafety committee (IBC), the Institution is to ensure that the IBC has been properly constituted under the Gene Technology Act 2000 and in accordance with the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator's *Guidelines for the Accreditation of an Organisation*.

See <http://www.ogtr.gov.au>

**The attached proforma must be used for all NHMRC funding schemes when advising the NHMRC that the research proposed in the application has been reviewed and approved by a human research, animal ethics, genetic manipulation or institutional biosafety committee.**



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**Research Ethics Committee Approval**

I, ....., on behalf of  
 (Name of authorised officer)

.....  
 (Administering Institution)

advise that the research proposed in NHMRC application number ..... in  
 the name of

..... has been reviewed and approved by:  
 (Chief Investigator A or Lead Applicant)

Full Name of Ethics Committee	Date of Approval	Approval or Reference number

The Committee/s have considered the relevant requirements outlined in:

- the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research 2007*;
- the *Australian Code of Practice for the Care and Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes* (for research proposals involving animals),
- the *Gene Technology Act 2000* and the *OGTR Guidelines for the Accreditation of an Organisation*
- the *National Occupational Health and Safety Commission* guidelines, *National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets*

..... (Signature of Authorised Officer)

..... (Date)