

Ethical Considerations

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Ethical Considerations: Source - PNHRS

DEFINITIONS

- ETHICS: Moral behavior
- ETHICS IN RESEARCH: framework applying broad ethical principles to the responsible conduct of research and to the use of any outcomes resulting from research (University of Reading)
- Focus on research participant
- Consider community and environment in ethics

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IMPORTANCE OF ETHICS IN RESEARCH

- Right thing to do
- Protects research participants
- Provides advocates for research participants
- "Rights, safety, and well-being of [research participants] are the most important considerations and should prevail over the interests of science and society." (ICH-GCP, 2016)
- Preserves credibility, trust, and accountability
- Reduces liabilities, wasted time and resources
- Turns useless, harmful, worthless to useful, helpful, worthy
- Obeys laws

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Research Ethics

Student-researchers are expected to adhere to the principles of ethical research identified in Belmont's report as follows:

- 1. Respect for persons—requires that research subjects are not coerced into participating in a study and requires the protection of research subjects who have diminished autonomy.
- 2. Beneficence—requires that research does not harm research subjects, and that researchers minimize the risks for subjects while maximizing the benefits for them.
- 3. Justice—requires that all forms of differential treatment among research subjects be justified.



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- 1. UBRDC-RCR-no. 21 informed consent form
- 2. RESEARCH ETHICS application FORM- Protocol Form 5.1
- 3. UBRDC-RCR-022 Form 1 (Human)
- 4. UBRDC-RCR-022 Form 2 (Non Human)



Ethical Considerations in the IMRAD Format

- 1. How anonymity and voluntary participation of the informants/participants were respected throughout the study (if informants/participants opted for non-disclosure of identity)
- 2. How confidentiality of information was insured (if informants / participants opted for non-disclosure of information)



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- 3. How risk management measures/strategies for participants, researchers and auxiliary personnel were adopted by the researcher
- 4. How informants/participants were selected using nondiscriminatory criteria and processes (unless inclusion and exclusion criteria are justifiable based on the nature of the study)
- 5. How the findings of the study will be disseminated to the beneficiaries.

References

- 1. RDC Policies and Operations Manual (2020)
- 2. RDC Thesis / Dissertation and IMRAD Format (2021)
- 3. PHREB Manual
- 4. CRHRDC













