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**Subject:** Requirement for Review of all health researches involving human subjects/  
participants

**A. Rationale**

Human subjects/ participants involved in health research may be harmed or wronged or be made to face unreasonable risks. Patients by reason of their illness, gender, age, economic and social status, are particularly vulnerable to various pressures that may cloud decision-making. On the other hand, the challenges and excitement of research and discoveries may create conflicts of interest in the researcher that may be overlooked. For these reasons, there is a need for an oversight mechanism to ensure protection of the welfare and dignity of human participants in research.

**B. Coverage:**

All individuals, organizations, institutions who conduct research involving human persons are advised to follow these policies.

**C. Policies:**

1. All institutions that conduct health research are urged to establish review committees that shall be in-charge of ethical evaluation and monitoring of research involving human participants. The composition and procedures must be in compliance with the guidelines in the *2006 National Ethical Guidelines for Health Research*.
2. All research protocols for the conduct of biomedical and behavioral researches involving human subjects shall be submitted to all ethics review committee for coordination, comment, guidance and approval.

  
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