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CODE OF ETHICS

VSPM's College of Physiotherapy has defined **Code of Ethics** pertaining to research to promote quality, maintain standards in academic research, and to create a culture of honesty in the same as research has to be original and genuine in order to fulfill the parameters of quality. The principles of this Code of Ethics are with the noble purpose of guiding researchers to an ethical course of action enriched with the values and mission of VSPM's college of physiotherapy, simultaneously preventing malpractices and plagiarism in Research.

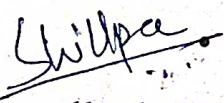
An institutional Code of Ethics for research helps faculty and students of VSPM's College of Physiotherapy to practice fair and respectful treatment while conducting research by defining clear standards of ethical behavior, creating an ethical organizational culture.


PURPOSE

To safeguard the dignity, rights, safety and well-being of the human participants involved in biomedical and health research.

OBJECTIVES

- To contribute to the effective functioning of the IEC at the VSPM's College of Physiotherapy, so that a quality and consistent ethical review mechanism for health and biomedical research is put in place to all proposals dealt by the committee.
 - To promote fair policies and procedures that maximize the likelihood of achieving good, patient centered outcomes.
 - To review and approve all types of research proposals involving human participants with a view to safeguard the dignity, rights, safety and well being of actual or potential research participants.
- To provide Consultation for ethics in clinical research.


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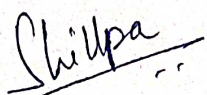
FUNCTIONS


The IEC has following functions:

- To maintain a consistent scientific and ethical framework for patient care and research.
- To integrate ethical values into practice, policy relationships and organizational activities.
- To review and approve proposals for clinical, basic or translational research for scientific and ethical content.
- To resolve ethical dilemmas and improve ethical standards
- To work as a forum to advise the administration in case of any ethical issues that may arise from patients, families or the public.
- To support researcher in ethical issues taking care of principles of ethics.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

1. The research title / protocol should be submitted to the IEC 15 days prior to the date of presentations. Faculty/ students submitting their research proposals/ synopsis shall compulsorily undergo plagiarism checking in their research writing. Only after that they will submit their synopsis to the IEC.
2. IEC meetings are scheduled for approval of title- synopsis of dissertation of first year PG students /Ph.D. scholar before submission to MUHS University, Nashik. Subject experts are invited to enrich and validate the research protocol whenever required.
3. Principal investigator has to give audio-visual presentation of the research synopsis /project. If any of the students is not able to give presentation because of some medical reason, he/she must submit the medical certificate for the same. If IEC permits, the candidate can be asked to present using online mode.
4. It is mandatory that all research synopsis /projects by staff, Ph.D. scholars, Post graduate students and undergraduate student should be approved by IEC. According to committee decision, all research projects/synopsis in the institution are undertaken only after written approval from IEC.


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5. Synopsis approval letter will be issued to principal investigator (PG and Ph.D.) after approval by IEC.
6. In case of rejection of title/ synopsis, IEC must rationalize the decision.
7. The principal investigator has to provide a justification if the research project is not completed in the time period mentioned in the synopsis.
8. All research documents are preserved for a minimum of 5 years after completion of the study. IEC will monitor the progress and completion of the research project/ dissertation. After completion of research/ dissertation, completion certificate will be issued to the principal investigator.
9. IEC will examine whether all regulatory requirements and laws are complied with or not and will take care that all the cardinal principles of research.

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