International Ethical Guidelines for Biomedical Research Involving Human Subjects

Ethical Justification
Guideline 1: Ethical justification of biomedical research involving human subjects

Ethical Review
Guideline 2: Ethical review committees
Guideline 3: Ethical review of externally sponsored research

Informed Consent
Guideline 4: Individual informed consent
Guideline 5: Obtaining informed consent: Essential information for prospective research subjects
Guideline 6: Obtaining informed consent: Obligations of sponsors and investigators
Guideline 7: Inducement to participate
Guideline 8: Benefits and risks of study participation
Guideline 9: Justification of risk in research involving individuals who are not capable of giving informed consent

Disadvantaged Populations
Guideline 10: Research in populations and communities with limited resources

Control Groups
Guideline 11: Control groups in clinical trials

Vulnerable Groups
Guideline 12: Equitable distribution of burdens and benefits
Guideline 13: Research involving vulnerable persons
Guideline 14: Research involving children
Guideline 15: Research involving individuals who by reason of mental or behavioural disorders are not capable of giving adequately informed consent

Women as Research Participants
Guideline 16: Women as research participants
Guideline 17: Pregnant women as research participants

Privacy
Guideline 18: Safeguarding confidentiality

Compensation
Guideline 19: Right of subjects to compensation

Development
Guideline 20: Strengthening capacity for ethical and scientific review and biomedical research

Medical Care
Guideline 21: Obligations of external sponsors to provide health care services

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