Human Research Protections Program – HRPP
Supporting the work of the IRB and Providing HRPP Oversight

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RE: Single IRB for review of multicenter trials

To Whom it may Concern:

The VUMC IRB is required under the Revised Common Rule to review for other Institutions or cede review to another IRB when the study is being conducted at more than one site. This memorandum is to serve as documentation of our willingness to serve in either the role of a reviewing IRB or as a relying IRB. The VUMC IRB is a Participating Institution under the SMART IRB Reliance Agreement and System, the IRB Reliance Exchange (IREx) System, and is also a participant in the Trial Innovation Network as a Central IRB. Please feel free to contact us or visit our website for more information at: http://www.vumc.org/irb/

This letter of support documents the VUMC IRB's commitment under the federal mandate to use the Single IRB review model. It does not serve as a reliance agreement. The VUMC HRPP requires a local submission from the VUMC investigator prior to executing a reliance agreement.

Sincerely,

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