



HRH REB Unanticipated Problem Reporting Form

HRH Principal Investigator:	REB Number:
Protocol #:	Primary Contact Name:
Primary Contact E-mail:	Primary Contact Telephone:

SECTION I – SCREENING QUESTIONS

Please consult the accompanying [guidance document](#) prior to completing this form.

1. Please indicate the type of study event:

a) Protocol Deviation

b) Adverse Event

If you selected **b)**, please indicate whether the adverse event is: **Internal** or **External**

c) Other Unanticipated Event

2. Brief summary of study event (including the date the event[s] being reported occurred). Please make all reasonable attempts not to include any identifiable personal health information.

3. For an event to constitute an Unanticipated Problem it must meet **all three** of the following criteria:

a) The event:

⇒ Is **unexpected** (in terms of nature, severity or frequency);

⇒ Is **related or possibly related** to participation in the research (either by research participants, or by research team members assisting with the research procedures);

⇒ Suggests a **potential increase in risk of harm** to research participants or others (study team members, patients, visitors, etc.)

b) Does the study event constitute an Unanticipated Problem? Yes No

Note: only choose yes to #3 b) if you have checked **all three** boxes under #3 a) above)

NEXT STEPS

⇒ If you answered “Yes” to Screening Question #3 b), please complete the rest of this form and submit it to the HRH REB.

Note: for “external” adverse events, the site should obtain all information required for this form from the sponsor.

⇒ If you answered “No” to Screening Question #3 b), there is no need to complete the rest of this form, nor is there a need to submit documentation about this event to the HRH REB. However, please see the “IMPORTANT NOTES” section below for information about other documentation and reporting requirements that may apply. **The HRH REB requires a periodic (eg. quarterly) safety update report of these external problems that are not being submitted individually on this form.**

SECTION II – IMPACT OF UNANTICIPATED PROBLEM

Please complete this section for all types of Unanticipated Problems:

Did the Unanticipated Problem:

1. Result in any harm to one or more study participants at the HRH site? Yes No

If “Yes” complete the  subsection under “SECTION III – RESPONSE PLAN” below.

b) If “No”, attach documentation from the Sponsor indicating that they have assessed this event and concluded that it constitutes an Unanticipated Problem. Attached


2. Result in any harm to others at the HRH site (study team members, patients, visitors, etc.)? Yes No

If “Yes” complete the  subsection under “SECTION III – RESPONSE PLAN” below.

3. Have an impact on the study data?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Yet Known
a) Describe:	a) Explain why:
b) Is it possible to correct the impact (e.g. - re-obtain data point[s])? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If “Yes”, describe the actions that will be taken to correct the impact on the study data:	

4. Have an impact on study documents/procedures?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Please complete the  subsection under “SECTION III – RESPONSE PLAN” below.	

SECTION III – RESPONSE PLAN

Please complete this section only as indicated in SECTION II:

Note: only complete this  subsection if you answered “Yes” to #1 and/or #2 under “SECTION II” above.

Affected Individual(s) at HRH Site

1. Select all that apply:

Study Participant Study Team Member Patient (not participating in study) Visitor Other:

2. Describe the harm that occurred:

3. Is it possible to mitigate or minimize the harm to the affected individual(s)?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes a) What will be done/was done? b) What are/were the anticipated outcomes of these actions?	<input type="checkbox"/> No a) Explain why this is not possible:
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Complete #4 and #5 only if you indicated under #1 above that a Study Participant was affected.


4. Can this individual remain enrolled in the study?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes a) Is an explicit reconfirmation of consent planned? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If “Yes”: i) Please describe plan (process, documentation, timelines): ii) Will you use: <input type="checkbox"/> an ICF Addendum or <input type="checkbox"/> conduct a full re-consent? b) If “No” to a) , explain why reconfirmation of consent is not necessary:	<input type="checkbox"/> No Attach a separate document articulating the withdrawal plan for this participant: process, documentation, plans for inclusion or exclusion of individual's data in the final study data analysis, timelines. <input type="checkbox"/> Attached
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Minimization of Risks to Other HRH Study Participants

5. Is it possible to minimize the risk of this same Unanticipated Problem happening to other HRH research participants?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes a) Describe plan (process, documentation, timelines):	<input type="checkbox"/> No a) Explain why this is not possible:
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Note: only complete this  subsection if you answered "Yes" to #4 under "SECTION II" above.

 **Impacted Documents/Procedures at HRH Site**

1. Does this Unanticipated Problem impact the Investigational Product Documentation (IPD), such as Investigator Brochures, Product Monographs, or Device Manuals?

Yes

a) Describe your plan to revise this documentation (changes proposed, process, timeline) or attach revised IPD to this form with a summary of changes.

No

a) Explain why this isn't necessary:

2. Does this Unanticipated Problem impact the content of:

the informed consent form(s) [ICFs]?

the research protocol?

other protocol-related documents that guide the conduct of the study (e.g. – standard operating procedures [SOPs])?

Yes

a) Please describe your plan to revise this documentation (changes proposed, process, timeline) or attach revised documents to this form with a summary of changes and a completed [Amendment Form](#).

No

a) Explain why this isn't necessary:

SECTION IV – COMMUNICATION PLAN

Please complete this section for all types of Unanticipated Problems:

Communication Plan

1. Do you plan to inform local research participants about this Unanticipated Problem?

Yes

a) Describe plan (process, documentation, timelines):

b) Is an explicit reconfirmation of consent planned?

Yes

i) Describe plan (process, documentation, timelines):

ii) Will you use:

- an ICF Addendum **or**
 conduct a full re-consent?

No

i) Explain why reconfirmation of consent is not necessary:

No

a) Explain why it is not necessary to inform local research participants:

IMPORTANT NOTES

- ⇒ Study events that do not constitute unanticipated problems and do not require reporting to the REB may still require documentation (e.g. – logging) and reporting.
- ⇒ Sponsors, funders and regulators (Health Canada, FDA, OHRP) as well as HRH (via institutional policies) may have documentation and reporting requirements that differ from the HRH REB's requirements. See [supplementary guidance](#) for further information.
- ⇒ It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to be aware of all applicable laws, regulations, guidance and policies to his/her research study. The above guidance is meant to be helpful in this respect, but is not intended to be exhaustive.

Principal Investigator Attestation: "I confirm that I have reviewed this Unanticipated Problem Report and that all information contained herein is complete and accurate."

Principal Investigator Signature: _____

Date of PI Signature (YYYY-MM-DD):