

Respect for Persons

- **Free and Informed Consent**

Researchers will inform participants in clear language: what they will be asked to do; risks/benefits of participation; how their information will be used; their rights as a participant; etc.

- **Autonomy and Voluntariness**

Potential participants understand that they will have the choice how or if their data will be used, without negative consequence

- **Vulnerability**

All people, regardless of capacity, will be fully informed directly and/or through those authorized to make decisions on their behalf

Concern for Welfare

- **Balance of Risks and Benefits**

Harm to individuals, groups, and society, through the research process or its results, will be mitigated where foreseen. Harm may be: social, behavioural, psychological, physical, or economic

- **Participant Perspective**

In all aspects of the research, participants' perspective and context (social, economic, cultural) will be considered

- **Confidentiality**

Anonymity, confidentiality, and the privacy of participants, including any potential limitations, will be fully explained through the consent process

Concern for Justice

- **Equitable Treatment**

All persons impacted by the research will be treated with equal respect and concern; the benefits of the research will be shared, where feasible, with all of those affected by its results

- **Appropriate inclusion**

Individuals or groups will not be excluded from research for reasons unrelated to the research (e.g. gender, race, ethnicity, age, or disability)

- **Power**

Researchers will be cognizant of, and work to mitigate, imbalances in power - between themselves and participants, among individual participants, or between participants and the groups to which they belong

Respect for Community

- **Understanding the Community**

Researchers will seek to understand and include relevant geographic or organizational communities and/or communities of interest related to their research

- **Respect for Community**

Researchers will learn about and respect a community's cultural traditions, customs, and codes of conduct through the development of respectful relationships, collaboration, and engagement where appropriate

- **Community Inclusion**

Communities and groups relevant to or likely to be affected by the research will be included in shaping the research and benefitting from its results