

# MADHA DENTAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL

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# POLICY FOR CODE OF RESEARCH ETHICS

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#### Preamble

Madha dental college and research foundation actively promotes and facilitates involvement of its faculty and students in research activities. The institution is also committed to ensuring that all the research activities meet the highest scientific and ethical standards.

### **Policy**

- All the faculty and students of the institution shall have their research projects reviewed and approved by the Institutional Research Cell (IRC) followed by Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) / Institutional
   Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) (as applicable) before the work commences.
- The institution participates by provision of reasonable amount of time for research activities, use of facilities, subsidized investigations (as agreed on case to case basis), use of college personnel, grant of appropriate financial incentives (as permitted on case to case basis), etc.
- To enhance the research ambience and to meet the financial demand, the faculty is encouraged to write proposals for the various funding agencies; government and non-government, and successful proposers will be rewarded accordingly.

## Objectives of the policy

- To instill a research culture and establish research promoting environment in the Institution
- To provide required support through appropriate research guidelines.
- Ensure quality publications in science citation indexed journals with good impact factor.
- To establish Centers of Excellence in thrust areas of research.



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### Extent and applicability

This policy shall apply to

- All faculty including permanent, probationary, and Adjunct, who are active in teaching, research, and administration.
- All students studying in the Institution.
- All external experts- mentors, guides and sponsors associated with any of the research activities of the Institution.

#### **Procedure**

- The research project protocols shall be first submitted to the Institutional Research cell for approval.
- All submissions to IRC, IEC or IAEC should be in the form of word format.
- The protocols shall specify if they are collaborative projects and applying for external funding.
- If collaborative in nature, the details of collaborating agency (e.g., name of the collaborating agency, contact details, website address, etc.) nature of collaboration, source of funding, etc., need to be specified.
- If applying for funding or funded, the type of the funding agency (Government, Non-Government, or independent), expected or approved amount of funding, expected duration of the project shall be specified.
- The protocols shall specify if there is a conflict of interest. If yes, then, the nature of conflict (financial, non-financial, etc.), how it may affect the design, conduct or reporting of the research shall be specified.
- If the principal investigator is an undergraduate or postgraduate student, he/ she shall be accompanied by their guide.
- The Institutional Research Cell shall review the protocol for scientific correctness in the design and suggest modifications or grant approval as the case may be.
- If modifications are suggested the investigator shall re-submit the modified protocol to IRC before it has been submitted to the IEC.



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- The respective Ethics Committees shall review the protocols for ethical considerations, resolve conflicts of interest and suggest modifications or grant approval.
- The prescribed format for the submission of the protocol is available on the website of the institution. Any changes to the format and the scheduled dates for the IRC, IEC & IAEC meetings shall be notified on the website.
- Any change in the design during the conduct of the research project shall be immediately notified to the respective ethics committees.

### Plagiarism Checking:

The postgraduate theses are to be checked by the IRC for plagiarism and the candidates are to be recommended to modify the plagiarized content and approval to be given after there is no evidence of plagiarism. The manuscripts/ book chapters and books authored by the faculty are to be checked by the IRC for plagiarism prior to publication.

#### Applies to:

All the Faculty and students engaging in research activities.

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