

## **Ontario Cancer Research Ethics Board**

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## Ontario Cancer Research Ethics Board N2/CAREB REB SOP Addendum

OCREB has adopted the N2/CAREB REB SOPs. However, in order to reflect specific OCREB requirements, this addendum must be used in tandem with the SOP noted below\*.

## N2/CAREB SOP 602 - Communication - Research Participants

SOP Section	OCREB Addendum
5.0 PROCEDURE	5.0 PROCEDURE
Research participants should be able to voice their	Research participants should be able to voice their
concerns, questions and request information regarding	concerns, questions and request information regarding
their participation or potential participation in research,	their participation or potential participation in research, in
in confidence, to an informed individual on the REB or	confidence, to an informed individual on the REB or in the
in the REB office;	REB office. Additionally:
	Given that consent forms typically direct participants to the
	REB for queries about their rights, or for questions about
	ethical issues related to a study, participant communication
	may require collaboration between the REB and the institution. In a multi-centre review model, the REB of
	Record may not be familiar with local institutional contacts,
	processes or expectations for addressing participant
	concerns. Some participant communication may relate
	solely to investigator or institution responsibilities and
	require limited or no involvement of the REB of Record,
	while others may have significant ethical considerations.
	Thus, some organizations will designate a representative
	responsible for liaising and communicating with the REB of
	Record about participant complaints.

Revision History	
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December 4, 2019/002	5.1.1: removed as addendum no longer required with N2/CAREB REB SOP v3