## HUMAN RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE

**Member Role Description – Researcher** 

Researcher, University of Adelaide Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)
 Office of Research Ethics, Compliance and Integrity, Research Services

Human research encompasses a wide range of activities with an equally wide range of risks and potential benefits. The HREC assists the University to protect the welfare and rights of participants in research. The Committee must ensure the effective consent of research participants in a research project and that any risk which may be involved is acceptable.

- To apply the ethical principles and values set out in the National Statement of Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2023) as well as other relevant guidelines.
- To consider the ethical implications of proposed research projects on human participants and to determine whether they are acceptable on ethical grounds.
- To provide monitoring of research projects until completion so that the HREC may be satisfied that they continue to conform with approved ethical standards.
- Agrees to undertake the necessary training provided by their Supervisor, including Health, Safety and Wellbeing induction and any hazard management training required to undertake their role.

All work undertaken will be under instruction and supervision; including:

- Become familiar with the National Statement and consult other guidelines relevant to the review of specific research proposals.
- Read and review applications for ethical approval prior to attendance at HREC meetings.
- If unable to attend a meeting, provide opinions in writing on the ethical acceptability of research proposals before meetings.
- Contribute to and be respectful of the exchange of opinions from members at the meetings.
- Each member is responsible for deciding whether, in his or her judgement, a research proposal submitted for review meets the requirements of the National Statement and is ethically acceptable.
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- Knowledge of the