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Institutional Ethics Committee meeting (IEC) held on 28/08/2014

Agenda

1. Establishing the IEC and adaptation of Procedures as per the prepared Manual (Annexure - 1)
2. Approving the list of committee members and adaptation as per the prepared Manual (Annexure - 2)
3. Clearance to the research proposals, if any
4. Any other matter with the permission of the chair

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Minutes of the Institutional Ethical Committee (IEC) meeting held on 28/8/2014

The following members were presented in the meeting

1. Dr. Krishnamurthy, Chairman
2. Swami Abhiramananda, Vice-Chairman
3. Br. Paramarthachaitanya, Member – Secretary
4. Dr. N. Muthaiah, Dean, Member, FDMSE
5. Dr. S. Alagesan, HOD and Professor, Member, GAPEY
6. Sri. Murugaperumal, Parent of the disabled
7. Smt. Subathradevi, Parent of the disabled

The meeting commenced with prayer

1. Swami Abhiramananda, Administrative Head, Coimbatore Campus of Vivekananda University, nominated Dr. Krishnamurthy as the Chairman of the newly formed Ethical Committee. Dr. Krishnamurthy was introduced by Swami Abhiramananda highlighting Dr. Krishnamurthy's professional decades in the United States, received many academic titles and awards.
2. Dr. Krishnamurthy, having accepted the nomination, assumed charge as the Chairman of the Ethical Committee. Hitherto, the Chairman nominated the following persons as members of the Ethical Committee as per the guidelines of the Institutional Ethical Committee:
 1. Swami Abhiramananda, Vice - Chairman
 2. Br. Paramarthachaitanya, Member - Secretary
 3. Dr. N. Muthaiah, Dean, Member, FDMSE
 4. Dr. S. Alagesan, HOD and Professor, Member, GAPEY
 5. Sri. Murugaperumal, Parent of the disabled
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It is informed that official letters for above mentioned nomination to the Chairman and other members will be send by the Administrative Head soon.

The members were informed that the tenure of the committee will be valid for two years after which it reconstituted.

3. Brahmachari Paramarthachaitanya, Member - Secretary, introduced all the members present in the meeting to the Chairman.
4. Dr. Krishnamurthy, Chairman, proposed to start the proceedings of meeting.
5. Chairman briefed the members about Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) and its functions. The members were reminded of the following very important points.
 - All the members were instructed to maintain absolute confidentiality of all discussions held during the IEC meetings.
 - It is informed that IEC is responsible for monitoring all the research proposals that involve human beings under its considerations.
 - Clearance from IEC is mandatory for publication of any research work.
 - Research, where low risk is involved, may pass through Expedited review committee and the minutes should be approved by subsequent IEC.
 - It is informed that the IUC Manual was prepared based on ICMR and WHO guidelines.
6. It was decided by all the members that, hereafter, all the research proposals (M.Phil/Ph.D, etc.,) of both FDMSE and GAPEY should be submitted to IEC for clearance after seeking approval from Institutional Research Committee.
7. It was resolve to approve the manual comprising the guidelines of IEC.
8. No research proposal was submitted for clearance.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks.



Annexure - 2

List of IEC members for the academic year 2014 - 2015.

S.No	Name	Designation	Signature
1	Dr. Krishnamurthy	Chairman	
2	Swami Abhiramananda	Vice-Chairman	
3	Brahmachari Paramarthachaitanya	Member Secretary	
4	Dr. Alagesan	Member	
5	Dr. Muthaiah	Member	
6	Mr. Murugaperumal	Member	
7	Mrs. Subathira Devi	Member	