DUTY STATEMENT

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY HUMAN RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT OF DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR
ONE MEMBER WHO IS A LAY PERSON AND WHO HAS NO AFFILIATION WITH VICTORIA UNIVERSITY, AND WHO IS NOT INVOLVED CURRENTLY IN MEDICAL, SCIENTIFIC, OR LEGAL WORK.

The individual should have a basic understanding of ethical principles as applied to research but should not be involved currently in medical, scientific, or legal work.

1. Duties

- Review Committee papers;
- Attend each meeting (normally 11 per year, however reserve meetings are a possibility);
- Provide advice and feedback to reflect a lay person’s point of view of proposals.

2. Selection Criteria

Essential

- Knowledge and understanding or willingness to learn the ethical principles that are applied to research involving humans.
- Knowledge or willingness to learn government legislation and guidelines relating to human research and ethics.
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Desirable

- Demonstrated experience as Committee member of any Committee or Committee group dealing with complex issues.

3. Relevant Material

4. Submitting an Application

Application must systematically address the Selection Criteria (above)

Applications are to be forwarded to:

The Director,
Office for Research
Footscray Park Campus
P O Box 14428
Melbourne VIC 8001
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