**Human Research Protection Program**  
**Good Clinical Practice**  
**Guidance for Investigators – Physician/Investigator as Sponsor of an IDE – Non Significant Risk Device**

### General Information

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<th>Principal Investigator:</th>
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### Protocol/Device Status

1. **RISK Determination:**
   - [ ] Significant Risk (SR)  → submitted to FDA and MMC-IRB
   - [ ] Non-significant Risk (NSR)  → submitted to MMC-IRB

2. **MMC-IRB Review:**
   - [ ] Approved
   - [ ] Pending, status: ____________
   - [ ] Not Submitted

3. **SEQuR Meeting Date:** ________________  
   **Representative:** ________________

### Meeting Notes

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### Signatures: Quality Improvement Specialist and Sponsor Investigator

The responsibilities required by FDA regulations and MMC-IRB policies for a Physician / Sponsor-Investigator of a non-significant risk investigational device in a clinical research trial, were provided to and reviewed with the Physician / Sponsor-Investigator of this proposed research trial. The responsibilities and information provided to and reviewed with the Physician / Sponsor-Investigator are checked / marked in the attached forms.

**SEQuR Representative:** ______________________________  
**Date:** ____________

The undersigned understands and accepts the responsibilities of the FDA regulations and MMC-IRB policies required of the Sponsor-Investigator of a non-significant risk investigational device clinical research study, as provided by and reviewed with the SEQuR Representative.

**Physician / Sponsor-Investigator:** __________________  
**Date:** __________________

### Responsibilities of a Physician / Sponsor of a Non-significant Device
### SPONSOR-INVESTIGATOR RESPONSIBILITIES
#### NON-SIGNIFICANT RISK INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICES

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<th><strong>Label the device in accordance with FDA requirements.</strong></th>
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<td>The investigational device or its immediate package must have a label that states:</td>
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<td>□ Name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer or distributor</td>
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<td>□ The label or other labeling must describe all relevant contraindications, adverse effects, hazards, interfering substances or devices, warnings and precautions.</td>
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Comply with FDA requirements for monitoring the investigation

- Securing Compliance: the sponsor must ensure that all participating investigators comply with the signed agreement, investigational plan, applicable FDA regulations, or with the conditions of IRB or FDA approval.

The sponsor must promptly secure investigator compliance, or discontinue device shipments and terminate that investigator’s participation. In such case, the investigator must dispose of or return the device(s), unless the actions would jeopardize the rights, safety or welfare of the subject(s).

- Unanticipated Adverse Device Effects: the sponsor must conduct an evaluation of any unanticipated adverse device effect(s).

If it is determined an unanticipated adverse device effect presents an unreasonable risk to subjects, the sponsor must terminate all or parts of the investigation immediately (no later than 5 days after sponsor makes risk determination, and no later than 15 working days after sponsor is first notified of device effect).

- Resumption of Terminated Studies: for non-significant risk devices, the sponsor must obtain MMC-IRB approval before resuming a terminated investigation.

Maintain Study Records required by FDA

- The name and intended use of the device and the objectives of the investigation

- A brief explanation of why the device is not a significant risk device

- The name and address of each investigator

- The name and address of each IRB that has reviewed the investigation

- A statement of the extent to which the good manufacturing regulations will be followed in manufacturing the device: 21 CFR 820, Quality System Regulation

- Any other information required by the FDA

- Records concerning adverse device effects (whether anticipated or unanticipated) and complaints.
## SPONSOR-INVESGTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

### NON-SIGNIFICANT RISK INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICES

- **Makes and Submits Reports as required by FDA**
  - in accordance with 21 CFR 812.150(1-3, 5-10), Reports.

The sponsor is responsible to prepare and submit the following complete, accurate and timely reports:

- **Unanticipated Adverse Device Effects**: a sponsor must submit to the FDA, all reviewing IRB’s and all participating investigators a report with the results from any evaluations conducted for an unanticipated adverse device effect, within 10 working days after the sponsor is first notified of the effect.

  Thereafter, the sponsor must submit follow-up reports as the FDA requests.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(1)

- **Withdrawal of IRB Approval**: a sponsor must notify the FDA and all reviewing IRB’s and participating investigators of any withdrawal of approval of an investigation or a part of an investigation by a reviewing IRB, within 5 working days after receipt of the withdrawal of approval.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(2)

- **Withdrawal of FDA approval**: a sponsor must notify all reviewing IRB’s and participating investigators of any withdrawal of FDA approval of the investigation, and must do so within 5 working days after receipt of notice of the withdrawal of approval.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(3)

- **Progress Reports**: At least yearly, the sponsor must submit a progress report to all reviewing IRBs.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(5)

- **Recall and Device Disposition**: a sponsor must notify the FDA and reviewing IRBs of any requests for an investigator to return, repair or otherwise dispose of any units of a device, within 30 working days after the request is made and must state why the request was made.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(6)

- **Final Report**: for NSR, the sponsor must submit a final report to all reviewing IRB’s within 6 months after termination or completion.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(7)

- **Informed Consent**: the sponsor must submit any reports submitted by investigators regarding the use of an investigational device without obtaining consent to the FDA within 5 working days of notification of such use.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(8)

- **Other**: upon request by a reviewing IRB or FDA, the sponsor must submit accurate, complete and current information about any aspect of the investigation.

  - 21 CFR 812.150(10)
## Managing Conflicts of Interests: Financial Disclosures

The Sponsor is responsible for:

- Maintaining current, complete and accurate records documenting the financial interests of all participating clinical investigators, including sponsor payments

  → Note: sponsors are responsible for developing a method (e.g. form/letter) to ensure adequate disclosure of participating clinical investigators' financial disclosure. Many sponsors develop their own financial disclosure forms.

  → Note: many sponsors obtain financial disclosures from participating investigators at the start of the study, and require updates annually during the study and again before data is 'locked'.

## Ensures that Investigators Maintain Records as required by FDA

→ in accordance with 21 CFR 812.140(a)(3)(i), Records.

- Investigators must maintain records of each subject's case history and exposure to the device.
  
  Case histories include the case report forms and supporting data including, for example, signed and dated consent forms and medical records including, for example, progress notes of the physician, the individual's hospital chart(s), and the nurses' notes.

- Investigators must maintain study documents evidencing informed consent and, for any use of a device by the investigator without informed consent, any written concurrence of a licensed physician and a brief description of the circumstances justifying the failure to obtain informed consent.

  The case history for each individual shall document that informed consent was obtained prior to participation in the study.

## Ensures that Investigators Submit Reports as required by FDA

→ in accordance with 21 CFR 812.150(a), Reports.

The Investigator must prepare and submit to the sponsor the following complete, accurate and timely reports:

- **Unanticipated adverse device effect:** an investigator must submit to the sponsor and to the reviewing IRB a report of any unanticipated adverse device effect occurring during an investigation as soon as possible, but no later than 10 working days after the investigator first learns of the effect.

- **Withdrawal of IRB approval:** an investigator must report to the sponsor any withdrawal of approval by the reviewing IRB of the investigator's part of an investigation, within 5 working days of notification.

- **Informed consent:** in the event an investigator uses a device without obtaining informed consent, the investigator must report such use to the sponsor and the reviewing IRB within 5 working days after the use occurs.

- **Other:** upon request by a reviewing IRB or FDA, an investigator must provide accurate, complete, and current information about any aspect of the investigation.
## Electronic Systems:
The Sponsor is responsible for:

- Ensuring any electronic data and source documentation meets the same fundamental elements of data quality that are expected of paper records
  
  → Reference [21 CFR Part 11 FAQ](#) Guidance from CRIT (Clinical Research Information Technology)

- Select investigators qualified by training and experience to investigate the device and select monitors qualified by training and experience to monitor the investigational study.
  
  → in accordance with [21 CFR 812.43. Selecting Investigators and Monitors](#)