**RESEARCH PROTOCOL [template]**

*[INSTRUCTIONS:* ***Delete all instructions and guidance notes [italicized text in brackets] and the UREO letterhead*** *prior to use in the study.]*

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**RESEARCH OBJECTIVES**

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| This study aims to: |  |

**SIGNIFICANCE**

*[Please limit to 500 words.]*

**BRIEF LITERATURE REVIEW/CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK**

*[If your submission is for Validation of Exemption or Expedited Review, please limit to 1000 words.]*

**METHODS**

*[The subsections below are the minimum required; feel free to add more as you see fit.]*

**Sample**

*[Describe the identity, nature, and size of the sample population.]*

**Setting**

*[Describe the site where the intervention will be carried out. If it is important to describe facilities and equipment, please do so.]*

**Recruitment**

*[Describe in detail how the prospective participants will be contacted and asked to participate in the study, including who will do the recruitment and what media will be used. Include all pertinent materials such as scripts, spiels, posters, etc. in your submission.]*

**Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria**

*[Definitely state the inclusion and exclusion criteria for recruitment, i.e. what characteristics will render prospective participants eligible and ineligible for participation in the study. If none, write NA.]*

**Procedure**

*[Describe in detail the procedure, particularly the intervention that will involve human participants. Identify the specific type of data that will be derived from the participants. Include statistical analysis procedures that will be utilized in the study.]*

**ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS**

*[Discuss possible ethical issues, including but not limited to informed consent, voluntariness, benefits and risks, compensation, vulnerability, confidentiality, conflicts of interest, etc.]*

**RESEARCH BUDGET**

*[Present as a table. Include items for matters pertinent to ethical concerns, such as for printing of hard copies of the Informed Consent Form, fees for ethics review in hospitals or other institutions, etc.]*

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