

The Institutional Review Board

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The IRB has made changes to the informed consent form (ICF) template. The Standard Paragraph examples have been reduced to one and it is now placed within the ICF template. Any edits made to the Standard Paragraphs will still require review and approval from MUSC General Counsel. The only exception, without prior approval of General Counsel, is the addition of “your child” and/or “you and your child” (see the instructions in the ICF template on the IRB Forms website).

The other change is to the signature blocks. The Person Obtaining Consent signature line has been moved so that the Participant or Legally Authorized Representative (LAR) signs the ICF first. There are also different signature block examples to choose from. Please review the signature block examples to ensure that applicable signature lines are in place for your study, then delete the other examples.

For studies already approved with the previous versions of the Standard Paragraphs, amendments are not necessary. This is a change that can be implemented moving forward with new studies.

If you have any questions, please contact the IRB Staff.

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