



World Medical Association Declaration of Helsinki

Ethical Principles for Medical Research Involving Human Subjects

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A. Introduction

1. The primary concern of the medical profession, the institutions with an allegiance to the profession, and the host society is the health of the individual human being. Research on human beings should be conducted only if the results are expected to increase the medical knowledge and thus to improve the health of human beings.
 2. The benefits, risks, burdens and costs of research on human beings should be estimated as accurately as possible in relation to the results to be expected. The benefits, risks, burdens and costs must be weighed against each other and against the results to be expected. The benefits, risks, burdens and costs must be weighed against each other and against the results to be expected.
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