Implied Informed Consent Form (ICF)/Letter of Information (LOI) for Prospective Researchwith Human Participants (Survey Research) - HSREB

Study title: Humanizing Initiatives in Canadian Intensive Care Units- A Survey Study

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Purpose of Study

We are studying the prevalence and nature of the humanizing initiatives in Critical Care units across Canada to gather information about how personalized patient and family care is currently delivered. The knowledge we gain from this study will be used to build a knowledge base and identify future research priories in this area.
You are invited to participate in a research study because you are a critical care health care professional. This consent form provides information to help you make an informed decision to participate. This study has received ethical approval from the Queen's University Health Sciences and Affiliated Teaching Hospitals Research Ethics Board (HSREB)

Participation is voluntary, and you can decline to participate in any aspect of the research at any time. In this study, you will complete a one-time survey This survey will be completed using the Queens University
Qualtrics platform and will take about 5 -10 minutes to complete. This survey will ask questions about the types of initiatives used to humanize patient care in the critical care unit that you work in You do not need to answer any question you don't want to, and you can choose to withdraw from this study at any time without providing a reason.

Risks and benefits

There are no known risks to this study. There are no direct benefits to you for taking part in this study. We hope that the results of this study may benefit critical ill patients in the future

Confidentiality

All the information collected during the research study will remain strictly confidential to the extent permitted by the applicable laws. If you decide to participate in this study, the research team will only collect the information needed.

The study data will be stored on a password protected drive (Queens University One Drive) for five years. After the storage period the study data will be destroyed securely by destroyed by securely, by the principal investigator (Dr. Imelda Galvin) in accordance with the requirements of Queens University.

During the study, for data collection, data analysis, monitoring, control, safety, and security, your study file may be accessed by the following organizations:

- Members of the study team, as delegated by the principal investigator.
- Queen's University Health Sciences and Affiliated Teaching Hospitals Research Ethics Board (HSREB) may require access to study-related records to monitor the ethical conduct of the research

Incentives

They are no incentives provided for participants in this study The research team thank your time and contribution to building knowledge in this important aspect of patient care.

Contact information

If you have questions about this study or if you suffer a research-related injury, you can

contact: Dr. Imelda Galvin, email: galvini@queensu.ca, telephone 6134835963

For ethics concerns, please contact HSREB at 1-844-535-2988 (Toll free in North America) or email **researchethics@queensu.ca**

Conflict of interest

There are no conflicts of interest to declare relating to this study

Database for future Recontact

Not applicable to this study

Consent

I agree that:

I have read this Informed Consent Form (ICF)/Letter of Information (LOI).

By consenting, I have not waived any legal right in the event of research-related harm.

I consent to Participating in the Main Study. Selecting "Yes" and proceeding to completion of the survey/questionnaire implies your consent to the study as outlined above.	Yes ☐	No ☐