



# IRB 360

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## APPROVALS FROM RECRUITMENT SITES

### Case Study

A complaint was received from an external institution that they were named in a publication by an NTU PI *without their knowledge*. Staff associated with that institution were also recruited for the research study *without the knowledge of that institution*.



#### Suggested Good Practices:

1. To prevent future problems from arising, obtain the necessary approvals from the institution (e.g. approval letters from primary or secondary schools) before conducting the research.
2. If you are planning to name the institution in your publications, do inform the institution before publishing. Alternatively, do not explicitly name that institution.



**To remind PIs about these good practices, a new question has been added under 'Sites(s) of Research' in ERMP.**

#### Have you obtained the necessary approvals from the recruitment sites?

*Note: NTU-IRB is NOT able to provide approval for the conduct of research at external sites. PIs are responsible for obtaining the necessary approvals to conduct research at external sites (e.g. primary and secondary schools).*

- Yes
- No. I will obtain the necessary approvals before commencing the study.**
- N/A. Approvals not required.**

## THE ETHICS OF AI – COURSE IN NUS CBME



The Centre for Biomedical Ethics is launching a new online short course in May-June 2024 on The Ethics of AI, featuring leading thinkers and distinguished academics from the world's top universities, including NUS, NTU, Oxford, Carnegie Mellon, Duke etc.



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