

KBEMS Pilot Programs- Adverse Event Notification

Emergencies and Reporting of Adverse Events

The responsible project coordinator must promptly notify the Kentucky Board of EMS & the KCTCS HSRB of any problems involving human subjects that arise during the course of the Pilot Program. Problems include unanticipated side effects or adverse reactions from participation in the project and, of course, any injuries. If any emergency occurs during a Pilot Program, you should call 911 and be prepared to provide the following information to the dispatcher: 1) type of injury and what assistance is needed, 2) number of victims, 3) the location and instructions on how to get there, and 4) name and phone number. For research subjects at more than minimal risk, the consent form should include information on available medical treatment if injury should occur and whether any compensation is available for treatment of injuries.

Immediate Cessation of Pilot Programs

All unanticipated side effects and/or adverse reactions must be reported to the KBEMS and KCTCS HSRB. It will be the responsibility of the Pilot Program coordinator to immediately discontinue any Pilot Program in which an adverse effect or injury is associated. It will be within the purview of the Kentucky Board of EMS and the KCTCS HSRB to allow a program to continue after significant review of the details of the incident.

KBEMS Pilot Program Adverse Event Reporting Form

For Unanticipated Problems, Serious or Life-Threatening Events, and related unanticipated Deaths
Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS) and KCTCS Human Subjects Review Board (HSRB)

**The attached form is to be used ONLY for problems/adverse events occurring under KBEMS & KCTCS HSRB
Purview and:**

All three criteria are true:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The problem/adverse event is serious/life-threatening or involving risks to subjects or others;2. The problem/adverse event was an unanticipated incident;3. The problem/adverse event is related* to the study procedures.
OR #4 is true:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. The problem/adverse event involves unanticipated or anticipated death which is related* to the study procedures.
OR #5 is true:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. The problem/adverse event does not fall under the KCTCS HSRB's prompt reporting requirements, but in the Pilot Program Coordinator's judgment, prompt reporting of the event(s) is in the best interest of the subject (s) because it may affect the safety and/or welfare of subjects and/or change the risk level of the study.

Reporting Timeframe:

All KBEMS approved Pilot Program problems/adverse events that are serious or life-threatening, AND unanticipated AND which are related* to the study procedures must be reported to KBEMS and the KCTCS HSRB using this form within the following timeframe:

1. Any unanticipated **death** of a subject occurring in a Pilot Program subject that is related* to the study procedures should be reported immediately (i.e. within 48 hours). The Pilot Program shall be discontinued immediately pending review by KBEMS and the KCTCS HSRB.
2. A problem/adverse event experienced by a subject that is **life threatening** and unanticipated, and related* to the study procedures, should be reported within 7 calendar days (1 week) of Pilot Program coordinator's receipt of information.
3. All other **serious** and **unanticipated problems/adverse events** that are related* to study procedures, must be reported within 14 calendar days (2 weeks) of investigator's receipt of information.

Definitions:

- **Unanticipated problem** - any unforeseen or unexpected incident or experience (including an unanticipated adverse event) which is not described in the Pilot Program application or elsewhere in the current application.
- **Unanticipated problem involving risk to subjects or others** - any unforeseen or unexpected event or experience that adversely affects the rights, safety, or welfare of subjects or others (which is not described in the Pilot Program application). The event or experience could involve physical harm/risk (e.g., adverse event), social harm/risk (i.e., inappropriate breach in confidentiality, harm to a subject's reputation, or invasion of privacy), psychological harm/risk or legal harm/risk. The experience could also involve events not previously identified in severity or degree of incidence. An adverse event could be considered an "unanticipated problem involving risk to subjects or others".
- **Anticipated problem/adverse event** – any foreseen or expected incident/experience which was described in the Pilot Program application and approved by KBEMS and the KCTCS HSRB.
- **Serious problem/adverse event** - any incident that results in significant harm to or increased risk for the subject or others. Examples of events which are serious would include but are not limited to, inpatient hospitalization or prolongation of existing hospitalization, a persistent or significant disability/incapacity, or a congenital anomaly/birth defect. Important medical events that may not result in death, be life-threatening, or require hospitalization may be considered a serious adverse event when, based upon appropriate medical judgment, they may jeopardize the subject's health or welfare and may require medical or surgical intervention to prevent one of the outcomes listed in this definition. Examples of such medical events include allergic bronchospasm requiring intensive treatment in an emergency room or at home, blood dyscrasias or convulsions that do not result in inpatient hospitalization, or the development of drug dependency or drug abuse. A disability is a substantial disruption of a person's ability to conduct normal life functions.
- **Life-threatening event** - any experience that places the subject, in the view of the Pilot Program Coordinator, at *immediate* risk of death from the reaction as it occurred, i.e., it does not include a reaction that, had it occurred in a more severe form, might have caused death.
- **Related*** - There is a reasonable possibility, in the opinion of the Pilot Program Coordinator, that the experience was more likely than not to have been caused by the research procedures.
- **PPC**- Abbreviation for Pilot Program Coordinator or Lead investigator.

Complete all applicable items by entering information in the space provided. If items do not apply to your research, insert "N/A" (Not Applicable).

Submit electronically and via hard copy to:

KBEMS
KBEMS Medical Advisor
300 North Main Street
Versailles, KY 40383
kbems@kctcs.edu

AND

KCTCS Human Subject Review Board
Attn: Linda Morefield,
300 North Main Street
Versailles, KY 40383
linda.morefield@kctcs.edu

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KBEMS Protocol Number (if applicable): _____ N/A

FDA IND Number (if applicable): _____ N/A

FDA IDE Number (if applicable): _____ N/A

PROTOCOL AND PROBLEM / ADVERSE EVENT (AE) TYPE

___ Unanticipated ___ Anticipated and in PPC judgment requires prompt reporting

Seriousness of the Problem/AE (check all that apply):	___ Death	___ Required intervention to prevent permanent impairment/damage
	___ Life-threatening	___ Emotional/Psychological Harm
	___ Initial or prolonged hospitalization	___ Financial Harm
	___ Disability	___ Other medically important condition
	___ Congenital anomaly	___ Non-serious
		___ Other

Severity of the Problem/AE	___ Mild ___ Moderate ___ Severe
	___ Life-Threatening ___ Fatal ___ N/A

If death, date of death: / /

Problem/AE Attributed to:	___ Study medication	___ Concomitant medication
	___ Underlying disease	___ Medical Intervention
	___ Errors in study medication administration, or deviations	___ Route of administration
	___ Breach of Confidentiality	___ Invasion of Privacy
	___ Device Failure	___ Other suspected cause (describe on separate sheet)
	___ Social Science/Education Interventions	___ Research Subject Complaint (describe on separate sheet)

Has the same Problem/AE occurred previously in this study? ___ Yes ___ No If yes, how many times?: _____

SUBJECT DEMOGRAPHICS

Research Participant's gender: ___ M ___ F

Research Participant's Age in Years: _____

DETAILED UNANTICIPATED PROBLEM/ ADVERSE EVENT INFORMATION

Problem/AE Onset Date: / /

Problem/AE Termination Date: / /	___ N/A
	___ Event Continuing

Description of Event (include time relationship to investigational procedures): _____

Action taken in response to Problem/AE: _____

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CONSENT/RISK/BENEFIT RATIO

Problem/AE listed in Consent/Assent Form: Yes No No Approved Form Exempt

Consent/Assent should be revised: Yes If yes, attach revised form with changes highlighted.
 No No Approved Form

Presently enrolled subjects should be informed of Problem/AE: Yes No

Risk/Benefit Ratio has changed in light of Problem/AE: Yes No

Pilot Program Coordinator Signature: _____ Date _____

Program Medical Director Signature: _____ Date _____

For HSRB Committee Use Only

Section I.

(Check all that apply)

This event does not involve risk to subjects or others because it is:

- not serious/life-threatening
- not related to the research
- Not unanticipated (i.e., the risk of this event is described in the Pilot Program application).

Or,

Other (please explain): _____

[Note: If the event does not involve risk to subjects or others, the HSRB is determining the event **does not** suggest that the research places subjects or others at a greater risk of physical or psychological harm than was previously known or recognized and **does not** warrant consideration of substantive changes in the research protocol or informed consent process/document or other corrective actions in order to protect the safety, welfare, or rights of subjects. ~OHRP 1/15/07 Guidance on Reviewing and Reporting Unanticipated Problems Involving Risks to Subjects or Others and Adverse Events, III.C.]

Section II.

(Check one)

Report Acknowledged/accepted without recommendation.

Report Acknowledged/accepted pending receipt of additional information to be submitted to the HSRB.

Comments:

Committee Review Signature _____ **Date** _____

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