



THE HOSPITAL FOR
SICK CHILDREN

Research Ethics Board

Research Consent Form

Title of Research Project:

Ontario Asthma Surveillance Information System (OASIS): Monitoring Primary Care Asthma Performance Indicators (PC-APIs)

Investigators:

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Purpose of the Research:

Performance indicators are used in health care to measure various aspects of quality of care such as prevention, health promotion, disease management, and health care provider interaction with patients. This project will provide primary care sites with an evidenced-based asthma indicators tool for recording information to assist them in monitoring the management of their patients with asthma.

Description of the Research:

This study will include Primary Care sites from across Canada. Each participating site coordinator, asthma educator or physician will fill out the Primary Care Asthma Performance Indicator (PC-API) Form© during or immediately following a clinic visit of a patient with asthma. The information on these forms (i.e. the indicators) will be entered into REDCap, a secure web application survey tool hosted by SickKids. Each form will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

Potential Harms:

There are no foreseeable harms or risks associated with this study.

Potential Benefits to individual subjects:

You, or your patients will not benefit directly from participating in this study.

Potential Benefits to society:

For participating in this study, you will receive reports summarizing performance on each indicator and in comparison to all other sites combined.

Confidentiality:

We will respect both you and your patient's privacy. No information about who you are or who your patient's are will be given to anyone or be published without your permission, unless the law makes us do this.

SickKids Clinical Research Monitors, employees of the funder [Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care], or the regulator of the study may see your research records to check on the study. By signing this consent form, you agree to let these people look at your records.

The data produced from this study will be stored in a secure, locked location. Only members of the research team will have access to the data. Following completion of the research study the data will be kept as long as required by the SickKids "Records Retention and Destruction" policy. The data will then be destroyed according to this same policy.

Participation:

It is your choice to take part in this study. You can stop at any time. We will give you a copy of this consent form for your records.

Sponsorship:

This study is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and sponsored by Dr Teresa To at the Hospital for Sick Children.

Conflict of Interest:

Dr To and the other research team members have no conflict of interest to declare.

Consent :

By signing this form, I agree that:

- 1) *I understand the possible harms of this study.*
- 2) *I understand that I have the right not to take part in the study and the right to stop at any time.*
- 3) *I am free now, and in the future, to ask questions about the study.*
- 4) *I have read and understood pages 1 to 2 of this consent form. I agree, or consent, to take part in this study.*

Printed Name of Subject

Subject's signature & date

If you have any questions about this study, please call the Project Manager, Jacqueline Simatovic at (416) 813-7654 ext. 301351

If you have questions about your rights as a subject in a study or injuries during a study, please call the Research Ethics Manager at (416) 813-5718.