

# Navigating ethical review

## A checklist of questions you should be able to answer



Is the purpose of the project defined by a **clear research question**, built on what is known already?



Will the method provide **meaningful** and, if a quantitative project, statistically **valid answers** to the research question?



Will there be **fair, open access** to the project design and results?



Will all the research team have **appropriate experience, training, probity** and **accountability** to carry out their tasks?



Is there appropriate **patient / participant involvement** in the project from its inception?



Is there realistic and fair **balance of benefits and harms** for all parties with an interest in the project?



Is there valid **consent, assent** and accommodation of **dissent**?



Does access to and handling of **personal information** meet current standards?



Is **payment** and recompense fair?



When relevant, are there **fair post-trial arrangements**?

**Do these questions look familiar? The principles aren't too different from research with adults!**

