The Pharmacy and Poisons Board...



The Pharmacy and Poisons Board (PPB) is the Drug Regulatory Authority of the Ministry of Medical Services. Established in 1957 under the Pharmacy and

Poisons Act (Cap 244) Laws of Kenya, its mandate is to make better provision for the practice and profession of pharmacy and the trade in pharmaceutical products.

The work of the PPB is guided by its mission of improving the quality of life of Kenyans by ensuring the quality, safety and efficacy of pharmaceutical products and services.

The aim of most clinical trials is to test in humans, the safety and efficacy of new drugs and medical devices under development. Such interventions naturally fall under the ambit of the Pharmacy and Poisons Board as the national drug regulatory authority. As such, it is mandatory for any trial that includes the testing of drugs and medical devices in humans to obtain the necessary regulatory clearances and approvals from the Pharmacy and Poisons Board.

The Expert Committee on Clinical Trials...

To address this function, the PPB has set up an Expert Committee on Clinical Trials (ECCT) with the remit of establishing a regulatory framework for the review and conduct of clinical trials in Kenya. A major function of the ECCT is to review all clinical trial protocols on investigational products (pharmaceuticals) and medical devices to be conducted in Kenya and to provide recommendations to the Board.

The ECCT has developed checklists and guidelines for submission of protocols. All protocols submitted to the ECCT will require prior approval by Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) and Ethics Committees (ECs) recognized by the National Council of Science and Technology (NCST).

The Department of Pharmacovigilance serves as the Secretariat of the ECCT.



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Checklist for submitting documents to the ECCT can be downloaded from www.pharmacyboardkenya.org on clicking link on pharmacovigilance, or may be obtained from the PPB Headquarters

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