TASO RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS

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Introduction

The AIDS Support organization (TASO) is a non-governmental organization with a mission to contribute to process of HIV prevention, restoring hope and improving the quality of life for individuals, families and communities affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. It provides care to over 90,000 PLHIV through out the country.

In the 5 year strategic plan of TASO (TSP 2008-2012 goal 4); one of the strategic choices of TASO is to contribute to the process of informing and influencing the National HIV response through promoting and conducting Operational Research.

TASO has been involved in research partnership with investigators within and outside the country, organization, higher institutes of learning and students.

- 1. Categories of research reviewed by TASO IRC involves:
 - a. TASO operational Research
 - b. Academic Research
 - c. Collaborative Research
 - d. Independent (consultants)
- 2. Requirements for applying for review of protocol by TASO IRC are as follows:
 - i. Complete Research Proposal (with budget and Questionnaires)
 - ii. Consent documents (both English and language in which it will be administered)
 - iii. Application letter for review of proposal
 - iv. Introduction letter from institution/Affiliation
 - v. CVs of Principal Investigators
 - vi. Certificate of Competence in research entics (for foreign investigators)

3. Research application fee:

No.	Researchers	Ugandans	East Africa	International
i.	Undergraduates	Ushs=20,000/=	\$20	\$50
ii.	Masters	\$100	\$150	\$300
iii.	PhD	\$500	\$500	\$500
iv.	Independent	\$150	\$200	\$300
V.	Expedited review	Initial fee +20% of initial fess		
vi.	Revisions and Amendments	60% of the initial fee		
vii.	Annual review	Initial fee + 50% of initial fee		
viii.	Collaborative	15% of the research budget		

NB: The TASO IRC sits once a month, it is therefore important that you submit your proposals early enough for Review.

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