Exemption Criteria

Research proposals which can be exempted from the review of the ethics committee, in full board or expedited, are those that have the following characteristics:

- 1. Educational research which must be research projects conducted in an accredited educational institution that involves normal teaching and learning processes (It should be ensured that this process does not result in missed learning opportunities or assessment outcomes as outlined in the curriculum for the learners.) and new educational research strategies according to institutional policies, such as research on changes of methods to be applied to learners of the whole class that may be conducted by comparing scores or student efficacy of the whole class of learners in any participant that may lead to any change in teaching methods, course assessment, educational quality assurance, etc.
- 2. Applied research in the assessment of education methods regarding cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement, polling in the society at large, interviews or behavior observations. The research will be exempted under the following conditions:
 - 1) Data collection and data obtained are not relevant to or leading to identifying a person.
 - Research protocols and their outcomes do not cause the research participants or any person to be exposed to criminal and civil penalties or to be deprived of their career opportunities, jobs, reputations, social credibility, and benefits and rewards that can be received by the person who owns the information and their affiliated institutes.
 However, if the research is conducted only to public figures or groups of people who are about to be selected to enter positions related to public services. The research cannot be exempted.
- 3. Research that bring about published research results or public data for further analysis.
- 4. Research on microorganisms using bacteria cultured in the laboratory or research using microbiological samples isolated from specimens without any link to personal information.
- 5. Research conducted on commercially available cell lines in the laboratory without using any of their outcomes in the human body.
- 6. Research on policies, strategies assigned by the institution's approval to seek new ways that change the organization or to develop more efficient work system, to raise the standards to the international level without affecting personal information and not violating the law.
- 7. Research on flavors, quality of food and overall consumer satisfaction. Given that the food must be safe for humans, no chemical components or toxic substances that are harmful to the human, animal, environment and complies to the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration, and not related to any substance abuse.
- 8. Interventional research with no more than minimal risk that are short in duration, safe, non-invasive and painless, unlikely to cause long-term adverse effects and avoid inducing resistance or embarrassment. For example, online game testing.
- 9. Non-human research / Cadaver research:
 - 1) Research on radiation doses received by models or mannequins.
 - 2) Research on cadavers that have been donated for education, the research must have approval from authorized person.
 - 3) Research on cadavers that have not been donated for education, the research must obtain informed consents from relatives who have the legal authority.
- 10. Case reports:
 - 1) The number of patients is not more than 3. The report is summarized from medical records (retrospective chart review).
 - 2) The report must not contain personally identifiable information (de-identified).
 - 3) If an identifier is necessary, informed consent from the patient or guardian representatives must be sought out for publication.
 - 4) The case report can be submitted as a manuscript ready for publication.

Reference: 45 CFR 46.101(b), 45 CFR 46.401(b), DOHP 400-4.6 "Non-Human Subject/Non-Research Determination"