

# **Experimental Subject's Bill of Rights**

## **University of California, San Francisco**

**The rights below are the rights of every person who is asked to be in a research study. As an experimental subject I have the following rights:**

- 1. To be told what the study is trying to find out,**
- 2. To be told what will happen to me and whether any of the procedures, drugs, or devices is different from what would be used in standard practice,**
- 3. To be told about the frequent and/or important risks, side effects, or discomforts of the things that will happen to me for research purposes,**
- 4. To be told if I can expect any benefit from participating, and, if so, what the benefit might be,**
- 5. To be told of the other choices I have and how they may be better or worse than being in the study,**
- 6. To be allowed to ask any questions concerning the study both before agreeing to be involved and during the course of the study,**
- 7. To be told what sort of medical treatment is available if any complications arise,**
- 8. To refuse to participate at all or to change my mind about participation after the study is started. This decision will not affect my right to receive the care I would receive if I were not in the study,**
- 9. To receive a copy of the signed and dated consent form,**
- 10. To be free of pressure when considering whether I wish to agree to be in the study.**

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**If I have other questions I should ask the researcher or the research assistant. In addition, I may contact the Committee on Human Research, which is concerned with protection of volunteers in research projects. I may reach the committee office by calling: (415) 476-1814 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, or by writing to the Committee on Human Research, Box 0962, University of California, San Francisco, CA 94143. Call 476-1814 for information on translations.**

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