



**Arrowhead Regional Medical Center**  
**Informed Consent Form for Participation in a Research Project**

**Study Title:** *Protocol Title*

**Principal Investigator:** *Principal Investigator*

**Introduction:**

You are being asked to join a research study. You are being asked to take part in this study because *qualifying condition/criteria*. You do not have to participate in this research study. The main purpose of research is to create new knowledge for the benefit of future patients and society in general. Research studies may or may not benefit the people who participate.

Research is voluntary, and you may change your mind at any time. There is no penalty if you decide not to participate, or if you start the study and decide to stop early. Either way, you can still get medical care and services at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

This consent form explains what you have to do if you are in the study. It also describes the possible risks and benefits. Please read the form carefully and ask as many questions as you need to, before deciding about this research. You can ask questions now or anytime during the study. The researchers will tell you if they receive any new information that might cause you to change your mind about participating.

**Purpose:**

You are invited to be part of a research study about *topic*.

The purpose of the study is to *state what the study is designed to discover or establish*. You are invited to be in this study because *reason why you are asking person to participate in study*.

The persons responsible for the research project are *name of the principal investigator and other persons, if appropriate*. Your doctor is interested in your health as well as conducting this research project. If you feel that your doctor can not represent your best interest, you can ask for another doctor to take care of you.

**Description of your Involvement:**

If you are eligible and decide to participate in this study, your participation will last approximately *Your participation in this study may last up to \_\_\_ days/weeks/months/years*. Your participation will involve *thoroughly describe the study activities. If there are multiple study visits, state the various procedures and time involved for each visit. Identify any procedures that are experimental. When appropriate, describe what will happen to the subject when the study is over, such as being transferred to standard medical care, accessing other resources, etc. If the study involves the ongoing collection of data from medical records, inform the subject what information will be collected from their records. If blood will be drawn, indicate the amount in teaspoons/tablespoons/pint per single specimen and the number of specimens to be*



*taken. Specify the amount or number of draws exceeding what would be done as part of standard care. Note whether a blood draw can be taken at the same time as other draws or through an existing line with no extra sticks. If urine, cerebrospinal fluid, etc. are to be collected, state amounts in lay terms. For example, for urine, use measurements such as cups or gallons. If tests will be repeated, outline the schedule of testing. If a drug is to be given, indicate the dosage, the route and duration of administration. If a device is to be used, describe the device and how it will be used. Define randomization in lay terms (like the toss of a coin.) “You will be assigned to one of the groups by chance. The chance of being in each group is \_\_\_\_\_” Explain if there is a placebo. Where appropriate, use a lay term for the placebo (i.e. sugar pill.)*

### **Risks and Discomforts of Participation:**

There may be some risk or discomfort from your participation in this research. This study *If less than minimal risk or minimal risk; “poses no greater risk to you than what you routinely encounter in day-to-day life” if greater than minimal risk; “may pose greater risk to you than what you routinely encounter in day-to-day life, however, those risks will be minimized.”* Participating in this study will involve the following risks: *possible breach of confidentiality, discuss known risks/discomforts of study participation and how risks will be minimized.*

All records and research materials that identify you will be held confidential. Any published document resulting from this study will not disclose your identity without your permission. Information identifying you will only be available to the study personnel. *Include a brief description of how identity will be protected, if applicable.* Your rights regarding permission to use your health information are described on the attached “Authorization for Use of Protected Health Information” form.

There may be other risks of the study that are not yet known.

### **Benefits:**

You may or may not directly benefit from this study. Although you may not directly benefit from being in this study, others may benefit because *provide details.*

### **Subject Rights:**

You do not give up any legal rights to privacy, confidentiality, or safety by participating in this study. Participating in this study is completely voluntary. Not participating in the study will not be held against you and will not affect your access to care or treatment unrelated to this research. Even if you decide to participate now, you may change your mind and stop at any time without affecting your medical care. Your study doctor or primary care doctor can discuss alternatives with you which may include, *details about alternative care (explain standard of care).* If you decide to withdraw before this study is completed, *details about use of data (will it be included in the analysis or removed).* You will be given a copy of the California Experimental Subject’s Bill of Rights and a copy of this Informed Consent to keep.

### **Potential Costs:**

You and/or your health insurance must pay for those services, supplies, procedures, and care required for routine medical care. You will be responsible for any co-payments and/or deductibles as required by your



insurance. If you participate in this study, there may be additional costs to you, such as travel for study visits.

### **Potential Compensation:**

For your participation in this research project, *provide details, describe the compensation or incentive for individual activities, if applicable or enter 'there will be no compensation' Note the total compensation that could be earned. Describe how compensation will be determined if the subject withdraws from the research prior to its completion. Clearly describe, if applicable, what costs are the responsibility of the subject's to pay and what services they might receive that are gratis, such as parking.*

### **Injured during Study:**

If you feel you have been injured by taking part in this study, consult with a physician or call 911 if the situation is a medical emergency. No funds have been set aside nor any plans made to compensate you for time lost for work, disability, pain or other discomforts resulting from your participation in this research.

### **Storage and Future Use of Data:**

Your privacy will be protected and your research records will be confidential. Your data/specimens (*will be or will not be*) *stripped of identifiers and used for future research purposes. Then, provide details where they will be stored, how, duration, who has access, and time reference for destruction of data or specimens.* It is possible that other people may need to see the information you give us as part of the study, such as organizations responsible for making sure the research is done safely and properly like the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, government offices or the study sponsor, *full sponsor name(s), if any.*

### **Contact Information for the Study Team:**

If you have questions about this research, including questions about scheduling or your compensation for participating, you may contact *PI name, contact info for PI and faculty advisor, if PI is a student.*

### **Contact Information for Questions about Your Rights as a Research Participant:**

If you have questions about your rights as a research participant, or wish to obtain information, ask questions or discuss any concerns about this study with someone other than the researcher(s), the IRB Coordinator is an impartial third party who is not associated with the research. You may address complaints or questions about this protocol to this person, who may be contacted at (909) 580-6336.



**Participant's Statement of Consent:**

- I have read the contents of the consent form and have listened to the verbal explanation given by the investigator.
- My questions concerning this study have been answered to my satisfaction.
- Signing this consent document does not waive my rights nor does it release the investigators, institution or sponsors from their responsibilities.
- I hereby give voluntary consent to participate in this study.

I understand I will be given a copy of this consent form after signing it.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Participant**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Participant**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

*Subject is unable to consent/sign because* \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Legally Authorized Representative**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Legally Authorized Representative**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Investigator's Statement**

I have discussed the research project with the participant; have explained all of the information contained in the Informed Consent to the participant including any adverse reactions; the participant was encouraged to ask questions; and that all questions were answered.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Investigator**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Investigator**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**