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This is to confirm that on July 1, 2025, the University of Manitoba (UM) delegated its authority for the ethical review of health and biomedical research, previously undertaken by UM's Health Research Ethics Board (HREB) and the Biomedical Research Ethics Board (BREB) to Research Manitoba to be undertaken by the Committee for Harmonized Health Impact, Privacy, and Ethics Review (CHIPER), which will become the Research Ethics Board of Record.

CHIPER is part of the Research Improvements Through Harmonization In Manitoba (RITHIM) initiative.

RITHIM will harmonize ethics, privacy and health institutional assessment review processes for health research reviews in Manitoba.

CHIPER is constituted and operates in accordance with the current Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans and the applicable laws and regulations of Manitoba. With respect to clinical trials, CHIPER complies with the membership requirements for Research Ethics Boards defined in Division 5 of the Food and Drug Regulations, Part 4 of the Natural Health Products Regulations, and the Clinical Trials for Medical Devices and Drugs Relating to COVID-19 Regulations of Canada and carries out its functions in a manner consistent with Good Clinical Practices.

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