

Covenant College Consent Form Checklist (Minimal Risk)

- ☐ Title of study
- ☐ Principal investigator and any co-investigators
- ☐ Specifically say that this is for *research* (e.g., “You are invited to volunteer for a research study” or similar)
- ☐ Who is being invited to participate, and how many people will be recruited
- ☐ The nature and purpose of the research, described in nontechnical, lay terminology
- ☐ The procedures that the participant will experience
- ☐ The duration of testing (how long and how many times)
- ☐ That participation is *voluntary*
- ☐ That volunteers can change their minds and or stop without penalty
- ☐ Any reasonably foreseeable discomforts or risks
- ☐ Any benefits (direct personal, scientific, or societal)
- ☐ Any costs or compensation for participating
- ☐ Alternatives to participation (only if an intervention study)
- ☐ The extent to which (and procedures by which) privacy and confidentiality will be maintained
- ☐ Any grant support
- ☐ Any conflict of interest
- ☐ Who to contact with questions or concerns
- ☐ How participants can obtain a copy of the consent form
- ☐ Signature lines, unless a waiver of documentation is requested
- ☐ Written at appropriate reading level for participants*

* The average reading level for adults in the U.S. is the 8th-grade level