Any potential consultant must disclose a conflicting interest in a project to the IRB staff, but may not vote on the project. If a consultant discloses a conflict of interest, he/she cannot consult on the project.

DEFINITION OF CONFLICTING INTEREST
A conflicting interest for a consultant generally includes the following. The aggregate interest of the consultant and his/her immediate family is considered.
1) Participation in a project (consultant is listed as an investigator on the project or is a member of the research team);
2) Supervision of a project (consultant is an academic sponsor of the Protocol Director, or a situation in which any investigator must report to or is under the professional supervision of the consultant);
3) Financial Interest when it reaches the level of a Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) as greater than $25,000.
4) Personal relationship with investigator (consultant has an immediate family relationship or other close personal relationship with the investigator);
5) Fiduciary relationship to sponsor (consultant serves as an executive to a company sponsoring the research or serves on the company’s board of directors);
6) Other nonfinancial interests that may be conflicting interests, such as if (a) Consultant has an interest that he/she believes conflicts with the consultant’s ability to review a project objectively; or (b) The consultant is in direct competition with the investigator for limited resources, funding, sponsorship, or research subjects, or the consultant is considered a personal or professional adversary of the investigators
7) Any other reason for which the consultant believes he/she has a conflicting interest with the research.

I am not involved in, and have no other conflicting interest in the following research on which I have been asked to consult:

Protocol #: 
Sponsor: 
Protocol Title: 

Signature _______________________________ Date _______________________________

Name (please print)