

Research Ethics Approval

5 April 2023

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RE: Ethics Review Board findings for: *Formative Evaluation of Gender Transformative Programming through Investment in Adolescent Girls' Leadership in Eastern and Southern Africa* (HML IRB Review #708UMAN23)

Dear Jo Feather,

Protocols for the protection of human subjects in the above study were assessed through a research ethics review by HML Institutional Review Board (IRB) on 22 March – 05 April 2023. This study's human subjects' protection protocols, as stated in the materials submitted, received **ethics review approval**.

You and your project staff remain responsible for ensuring compliance with HML IRB's determinations. Those responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- ensuring prompt reporting to HML IRB of proposed changes in this study's design, risks, consent, or other human protection protocols and providing copies of any revised materials;
- conducting the research activity in accordance with the terms of the IRB approval until any proposed changes have been reviewed and approved by the IRB, except when necessary to mitigate hazards to subjects;
- promptly reporting any unanticipated problems involving risks to subjects or others in the course of this study;
- notifying HML IRB when your study is completed.

HML IRB is authorized by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Human Research Protections (IRB #1211, IORG #850, FWA #1102).

Sincerely,



D. Michael Anderson, Ph.D., MPH
Chair & Human Subjects Protections Director, HML IRB

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RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE**

Your Ref:

Our Ref: MAKSSREC 10.22.658AR

12th June 2023

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Dear Madam,

Initial Review – Fast track

Re: Approval of Protocol titled: “UNICEF Formative evaluation of Gender Transformative programming through investment in adolescent girls’ leadership in Eastern and Southern Africa”

This is to inform you that, the Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research Ethics Committee (MAKSS REC) granted approval to the above referenced study. The MAKSS REC reviewed the proposal using the full board review on **4th May 2023**. This was done after the investigator fully addressing the comments raised by the REC.

Your study protocol number with MAKSS REC is **MAKSSREC 05.2023.658**. Please be sure to reference this number in any correspondence with MAKSS REC. Note that, the initial approval date for your proposal by **MAKSS REC was 4th May 2023**. This is an annual approval and therefore; approval expires on **3rd May 2024**. Please note that, **final approval should be done by Uganda National Council for Science and Technology**. You should use **stamped consent forms and study tools/instruments while executing your field activities at all times**. However, continued approval is conditional upon your compliance with the following requirements.

Continued Review

In order to continue on this study (including data analysis) beyond the expiration date, Makerere University School of Social Sciences (MAKSS REC) must re-approve the protocol after conducting a substantive meaningful, continuing review. This means that you must submit a continuing report Form as a request for continuing review. To avoid a lapse, you should submit the request six (6) to eight (8) weeks before the lapse date. Please use the forms supplied by our office.



Please also note the following:

- No other consent form(s), questionnaires and or advertisement documents should be used. The Consent form(s) must be signed by each subject prior to initiation of my protocol procedures. In addition, each research participant should be given a copy of the signed consent form.

Amendments

During the approval period, if you propose any changes to the protocol such as its funding source, recruiting materials or consent documents, you must seek Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research and Ethics Committee (MAKSS REC) for approval before implementing it.

Please summarise the proposed change and the rationale for it in a letter to the Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research and Ethics Committee. In addition, submit three (3) copies of an updated version of your original protocol application- one showing all proposed changes in bold or "track changes" and the other without bold or track changes.

Reporting

Among other events which must be reported in writing to the Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research and Ethics Committee include:

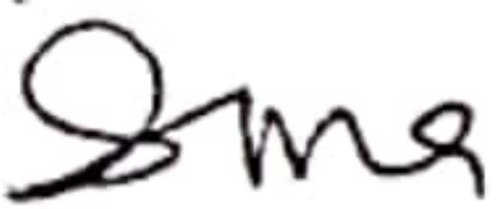
- i. Suspension or termination of the protocol by you or the grantor.
- ii. Unexpected problems involving risk to participants or others.
- iii. Adverse events, including unanticipated or anticipated but severe physical harm to participants.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to the protection of human subjects in research.

The legal requirement in Uganda is that, all research activities must be registered with the National Council for Science and Technology. The forms for this registration can be obtained from their website www.unsct.go.ug

Please contact the Administrator of Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research and Ethics Committee at makssrec@gmail.com OR bijulied@yahoo.co.uk or telephone number +256 712 207926 if you counter any problem.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Stella Neema
Chairperson

Makerere University School of Social Sciences Research and Ethics Committee



✓c.c.: The Executive Secretary, Uganda National Council for Science and Technology



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Date: 11 May 2023


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Dear Ms. Odede

Re: Formative Evaluation of UNICEF Gender Transformative Programming through Investment in Adolescent Girls' Leadership in Eastern and Southern Africa (ESAR)

1. Reference is made to your application to conduct the above-mentioned study.
2. The proposal has been evaluated and found to have merit.
3. **Kindly be informed that permission to conduct the study has been granted under the following conditions:**
 - 3.1 The data to be collected must only be used for academic purpose;
 - 3.2 No other data should be collected other than the data stated in the proposal;
 - 3.3 Stipulated ethical considerations in the protocol related to the protection of Human Subjects should be observed and adhered to, any violation thereof will lead to termination of the study at any stage;
 - 3.4 A quarterly report to be submitted to the Ministry's Research Unit;
 - 3.5 Preliminary findings to be submitted upon completion of the study;
 - 3.6 Final report to be submitted upon completion of the study;
 - 3.7 Separate permission should be sought from the Ministry for the publication of the findings.
4. All the cost implications that will result from this study will be the responsibility of the applicant and not of the MoHSS.

Yours sincerely,


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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



All official correspondence must be addressed to the Executive Director.

