

**Attachments:**

- KII IC (revised).pdf
- Perceptions Survey IC (revised).pdf
- Focus Group IC (revised).pdf
- Ethical Review Approval.pdf



---

*Ethical Review Approval*

To: James Kimani  
From: HML IRB  
Subject: Study #2830  
Date: 02/21/2025

Dear James Kimani,

The protocol **Country-led Evaluation of the Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit in the Philippines (2014-2023), 2830** was assessed through a research ethics review by HML Institutional Review Board. This study's human subjects' protection protocols, as stated in the materials submitted, received research ethics review approval on 02/21/2025.

You may rely on this IRB for review and continuing ethical oversight of this study. You and your project staff remain responsible for ensuring compliance with HML IRB's determinations. Those responsibilities include, but are not limited to: 1) ensuring prompt reporting to HML IRB of proposed changes in this study's design, subject risks, informed consent, or other human protection protocols and providing copies of any revised materials; 2) 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; 3) promptly reporting any unanticipated problems involving risks to subjects or others in the course of this study; and 4) notifying the IRB when your study is complete.

The approval of your study is valid through 02/20/2026, by which time you must submit a continuing review report either closing the study or requesting permission to continue for another year. Please submit your report by so that the IRB has time to review and approve your report prior to the expiration date. For instructions on how to manage an approved study refer to: [How to Manage an Approved Study](#).

HML IRB is authorized by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Human Research Protections (IRB #00001211, IORG #0000850), and has DHHS Federal-Wide Assurance approval (FWA #00001102).

If you have any questions, please contact us at [admin@hmlirb.com](mailto:admin@hmlirb.com).

Sincerely,



D. Michael Anderson PhD, MPH  
IRB Chair & Human Research Protections Director  
dma@hmlirb.com

Health Media Lab, Inc.

1101 Connecticut Avenue, NW Suite 450 Washington, DC 20036 USA

+1 202.246.8504 [info@hmlirb.com](mailto:info@hmlirb.com) [www.HMLIRB.com](http://www.HMLIRB.com)