

## **Institutional Ethics Committee**

As per the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, any organisation conducting biomedical and health research involving human participants is required to have an ethics committee to review and oversee the conduct of such research as specified by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

The authority has been designated to the Department of Health Research (DHR) for the registration of ethics committees for biomedical and health research involving human participants. Also, the National Ethics Committee Registry for Biomedical and Health Research (NECRBHR) has been set up within the Department of Health Research to facilitate the receipt and processing of applications seeking registration.

The RDT Bathalapalli Hospital has an Institutional Ethics Committee, registered with the National Ethics Committee Registry for Biomedical and Health Research (NECRBHR), which reviews and oversees all research conducted in the institution.

The Institutional Ethics Committee is composed of:

- Chairperson and Ethicist
- Basic Medical science pharmacologist
- Clinicians from other institutes
- Legal expert
- Social scientist
- Layperson
- Member Secretary
- Clinician from institution
- Philosopher