To make a complaint about the ethics of the research

Complete the complaints form and send to Ms Eleni Flack-Davison, Eleni.Flack-Davison@wits.ac.za, tel 011 717 1328 (Research Office: Legal Advisor and Research Compliance Manager)

Meeting between Secretariat, Research Office: Legal Advisor, Chair of HREC: NM, researcher and/or supervisor, as required

If action required, then...

Investigation by the University Advisory Committee on Ethics, chaired by DVC: R&I

If no action required, then...

Response to complainant and researcher within 15 working days*

If action required and if the researcher is a student, then...

Referral to Senate Graduate Studies Committee

If no action required and if the researcher is a staff member or external applicant, then...

Referral to DVC: R&I

If action required and if the researcher is a student, then...

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If no action required, then...

Response to complainant and researcher within 15 working days*

Response to complaint with the nature or ethics of the research

Ask the researcher, contact details on information sheet

If a student, ask the supervisor, contact details on information sheet

Response to query within 10 working days*

If you are not satisfied, then...

Contact the Human Research Ethics Committee: Non-Medical, hrecnon-medical@wits.ac.za, tel 011 717 1408, stating the nature of the query

*If the complainant and/or the researcher is not satisfied with the response obtained at any stage, they must complete the appeals form and send to Ms Eleni Flack-Davison, Eleni.Flack-Davison@wits.ac.za, tel 011 717 1328 (Research Office: Legal Advisor and Research Compliance Manager)