

Registration

Registration is to be done online at the weblink given below. Payment for registration is accepted *via* credit/debit card or net banking using a payment gateway. It is to be paid along with the submission of the registration form and the medical council registration details (for doctors only) directly on the website. For registration and payment, go to: www.sjri.res.in

Who should attend

This course is intended for ethics committee members, researchers, regulatory authorities, medical college faculty, industry partners & others interested in medical research.

Organization and delivery

The course will be hosted and delivered online by St John's Medical College and Research Institute. After successful registration, all participants will be provided with a 'username' and 'password'. The course can then be accessed any time using a desktop, laptop or tablet.

For further enquiry and registration, contact:

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Online Course on Research Ethics Committee (REC)

in compliance with ICMR Guidelines 2017 &
New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules 2019



Course start date: 1st - 28th Feb 2026

Registration ends: 27th Jan 2026

Course fee:

For participants from within India: INR 2800/- plus 18% GST [or INR 1800/- plus 18% GST for intramural St John's participants only]. For participants from outside India: US \$ 65/- all inclusive

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Online Course on 'Research Ethics Committee (REC)'

Course Objectives

The challenges of conducting human health research are technical and financial — and beyond that, they are also moral, requiring us to conduct health research of the highest standards.

The main objective of this course is to introduce basic ethical concepts useful for the ethics review of research protocols involving human participants. The materials presented in this course are to serve as a starting-point for a basic understanding of research ethics. It is designed to draw attention to critical issues, without necessarily resolving them.

We invite you to read all the modules along with the exercises and complete the entire course. In addition, for it to be of practical application in your regular work, we encourage you to:

- Review a study protocol along with a reading of the relevant portions of this course
- Participate in REC processes/meetings (if possible) and see how the material presented here matches with the conduct of the meeting
- And get back to us for clarifications and also to provide feedback and suggestions on ways to improve the course.

Course details

This online course provides an opportunity for new/old, busy ethics committee members and health researchers to update their knowledge on Ethics Committee (EC) processes and the research compliances required of researchers.

- ♦ The complete duration of this course is 8 hours but it may be completed over a period of one month
- ♦ Upon successful completion, participant will receive a Course Completion certificate from St John's Research Institute

Course Schedule

Module #	Module Title	Duration
1	Institutional Ethics Committee Formation	70 min
2	Protocol Review and Decision-making	50 min
3	Scientific Assessment	80 min
4	Research Ethics Committee (REC) - Primary Responsibility	60 min
5	Informed Consent	70 min
6	EC - Documentation	40 min
7	Miscellaneous	70 min
8	Committee Registration	40 min

Course Feedback

Doctor: very informative course; got motivated to do research systematically and to actively participate in ethics committee meetings in the future

Advocate: much needed course; learnt about responsibility of each member and also the entire team as a whole

Doctor: strengths of this course = audio-enabled course material; crisp presentation; apt material; and the pop-up quizzes that kept us hooked

