

## **Constitution - Article 8**

### **EHDN ENDORSEMENT OF PROJECTS**

#### **8.1 Principles**

EHDN is committed to enabling Huntington's disease research by endorsing non-clinical and clinical projects which meet its standards of scientific rigour and ethical conduct. Members conducting non-clinical and clinical projects endorsed by EHDN are expected to comply with the provisions of this Constitution and to the policies and procedures adopted by EHDN pursuant hereto including the provisions relating to Publication and Authorship and Ethics and Conflicts-of Interest.

#### **8.2 Application for Endorsement**

Any person may make application to EHDN for endorsement of a non-clinical or clinical project related to Huntington's disease by submitting such information as the Executive Committee may, by policy and procedure, prescribe.

#### **8.3 Science; Bioethics Recommendation**

The Scientific and Bioethics Advisory Committee shall review each application for endorsement of a non-clinical or clinical project and submit a report thereon to the Executive Committee, including such conditions for endorsement as the Scientific and Bioethics Advisory Committee deems appropriate in the circumstances. In deciding whether to recommend endorsement of a non-clinical or clinical project, the Scientific and Bioethics Advisory Committee may consider the aims, objectives, scientific and clinical adequacy of the protocol, the qualifications and capabilities of the investigators, the mechanism for funding, the sponsorship of the proposed project, ethical issues and any other factors it deems appropriate in the circumstances.

#### **8.4 Endorsement Criteria**

In deciding whether to endorse a non-clinical or clinical project the Executive Committee shall consider the report of the Scientific and Bioethics Advisory Committee and may consider any other factors it deems appropriate in the circumstances.

#### **8.5 Conduct**

All EHDN endorsed non-clinical and clinical projects shall be conducted in accordance with this Constitution, the policies and procedures adopted by EHDN pursuant hereto and all applicable laws and regulations.

## 8.6 Policies and Procedures

The Executive Committee may adopt policies and procedures to give effect to these endorsement principles, including specification of the information to be included in an application for EHDN endorsement of a non-clinical or clinical project.