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EXPERIMENTAL SUBJECT'S BILL OF RIGHTS

The rights stated below are the rights of each person who is asked to be in a research study. As an experimental subject, I have the following rights:

1. To be told what the study is trying to find out;
2. To be told what will happen to me and whether any of the procedures, drugs, or devices is different from what would be used in standard practice;
3. To be told about the frequent and/or important risks, side effects, or discomforts of the things that will happen to me for research purposes.
4. To be told if I can expect any benefit from participating, and, if so, what the benefit might be;
5. To be told of the other choices I have and how they may be better or worse than being in the study;
6. To be told what sort of medical treatment is available if any complications arise;
7. To refuse to participate at all or to change my mind about participation after the study is started. This decision will not affect my right to receive the care I would receive if I were not in the study;
8. To receive a copy of the signed and dated consent form;
9. To be free of pressure when considering whether I wish to agree to be in the study.