

## **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING PROTOCOL TO RESEARCH COMMITTEE**

Research protocol and tool - **SIX** copies to be submitted. It should include

- Title of the research study
- Background of the study
- Need and significance of the study
- Statement of the problem / Research question
- Objectives
- Research hypothesis /assumptions
- Operational definitions
- Research approach
- Research design
- Research setting
- Population
- Inclusion and exclusion criteria
- Sample
- Sample size with justification
- Sampling technique
- Data collection process
- Variables – study variables and outcome variables
- Tool and techniques
- Plan for data analysis
- Duration of study
- Budget and time schedule
- Funding agency
- Plan for pilot study