**Sepsis Trials in Critical Care - SepTiC**

**Telephone Agreement Form**

This form is to be used in the following circumstances:-

1. If a patient fulfils the criteria for inclusion in the **SepTiC** Trial and has a Personal Legal Representative (England/Wales/NI) or Nearest Relative/Guardian/Welfare Attorney (Scotland) who can give opinion/advice on their behalf, but this person will not be available on site to provide written agreement during the trial timeline for inclusion.
2. If the patient has been discharged from hospital promptly prior to providing written retrospective consent, then this form can be used when contacting the patient via telephone to explain the study and answer any questions.

To enable agreement/opinion to take place, the PI or designee (as delegated this duty on the Delegation Log), may contact the Personal Legal Representative (England/Wales/NI), Nearest Relative/Guardian/Welfare Attorney (Scotland) or patient by telephone. This telephone contact must be witnessed by an independent member of staff (not listed on the study delegation log). This witness must sign as indicated below.

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| **Centre Number:** |  |
| **Patient Number:**  |  |
| **Name of Principal Investigator:** |  |

**Principal Investigator/designee to initial box**

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| 1. I confirm that I have explained the study background to the patient or their representative and have read the appropriate Information Sheet to them. |  |
| 2. I confirm that the patient or representative has been allowed the opportunity to ask any questions or raise any concerns in relation to the study and have received an answer to these where applicable. |  |
| 3. I confirm that the patient or representative has indicated that they agree to their or their relative/partner/friend taking part in this study |  |
| 4. I understand that written agreement/consent must be obtained as soon as possible, and the patient or representative must be provided with a copy of the Information Sheet and written agreement/consent process followed at this stage, this can be sent and returned via post or email. |  |

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| Name of telephone consultee: |  |
| *If applicable* Relationship of consultee to patient: |  |
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| Name of Person taking consent:*(Listed on delegation log)* |  |
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| Person taking consent Signature: |  | Date: |  |
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| Name of Witness:*\*Independent of the SepTiC study team* |  |
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| Witness Signature: |  | Date: |  |
| Witness Job Title: |  |

After the telephone call, if appropriate a copy of the relevant consent form may be posted (or emailed) to the patient or representative.