RESEARCH SUBJECTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

The rights below are the rights of every person who is asked to be in a research study. As a research 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 are 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 allowed to ask any questions concerning the study both before agreeing to be involved and during the course of the study;
(7) To be told what sort of medical or psychological treatment is available if any complications arise;
(8) To refuse to participate at all or to change my mind about participation after the study is started; if I were to make such a decision, it will not affect my right to receive the care or privileges I would receive if I were not in the study;
(9) To receive a copy of the signed and dated consent form; and
(10) To be free of pressure when considering whether I wish to agree to be in the study.

If I have other questions, I should ask the researcher or the research assistant. In addition, I may contact the Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects at the Academy of Art University (IRB), which is concerned with protection of volunteers in research projects.

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