

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 5, 2026

TO: All centres and teams conducting clinical trials

FROM: BC Cancer Research Ethics Board (REB)

RE: Annual Renewal PAA Coversheet Exemption Sections

Effective June 5, 2026, the BC Cancer Research Ethics Board (REB) does not require completion of the sections that were added to the Annual Renewal Post-Approval Activity (PAA) Coversheet in October 2025. This memo applies to all centres and teams conducting clinical trials.

Specifically, the sections being referenced are:

- **Section 3.3.d:** *In addition to the main study, does your application include optional components or consent forms (e.g., Optional Biobank, Optional MRI, etc)?*
 - **REB Guidance:** leave blank
- **Section 5.4:** *Does your project include or contribute to a biobank or research registry?*
 - **REB Guidance:** enter 'No'

If you are unsure whether this guidance applies to your study, contact the BC Cancer REB Office.