



**POLICIES**

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Approved by: Wayne J. Riley, M.D., MPH, MBA, President & CEO

Subject: Office of the General Counsel/Radiation Safety - Minors in Meharry Medical College Laboratories

**PURPOSE:**

To establish a standard policy that will govern the presence of minor children in Meharry Medical College ("MMC") Laboratories.

**PROCEDURE:**

No person under the age of 18 ("minor child") may enter a MMC laboratory unless he/she

(1) is participating in an organized educational program sponsored by MMC

or

(2) has received written approval from a Dean or the President to enter the laboratory. See *Exhibit A*

All minor children authorized to be present in a MMC laboratory pursuant to this policy shall submit a completed Assumption of Risk & Release of Liability Form, see *Exhibit B*, with the Office of Environmental Health and Safety.

The sponsoring MMC employee/ faculty member shall be responsible for obtaining all authorizations required under this policy.

All written authorizations must be submitted to the Office of Environmental Health and Safety prior to the minor child entering the laboratory.

Any minor child who enters a MMC laboratory may be required to complete safety training and must adhere to all rules and restrictions imposed by the College and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety.

All minor children must be supervised at all times while in a MMC laboratory.



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**EXHIBITS:**

- A. Approval Form
- B. Assumption of Risk & Release of Liability



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**Exhibit A**

**Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
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Approval Form**

**Date of visit:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Minor Child:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age of Minor Child:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for being in the lab:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPROVAL of PRESIDENT or DEAN:** \_\_\_\_\_



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**Exhibit B**

**Office Of Environmental Health And Safety  
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**Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability**

In exchange for allowing \_\_\_\_\_, a minor child for whom I have legal custody/care/responsibility, to be present in a laboratory under the control of Meharry Medical College, I:

- (1) assume all risks associated with the presence of the minor in the lab, including risk of injury to myself, the minor and loss of personal property while on the premises;
- (2) release and hold harmless Meharry Medical College, their affiliates, employees, agents, officers and directors for any liability for loss, damage or injury to person or property the minor may incur while present in the lab;
- (3) agree to indemnify Meharry Medical College, their affiliates, employees, agents, officers and directors for any liability that may arise from the presence of the minor in the lab.

I hereby verify that I have read the foregoing, understand it, and sign it voluntarily; and that, for this Agreement, I am receiving consideration beyond anything of value to which I am or would be otherwise entitled.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Sign Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**