SUMMARY OF UPDATES TO THE NHG DSRB INFORMED CONSENT FORM TEMPLATE (14 Feb 2022)

The latest update to the NHG DSRB Informed Consent Form Template (Version 13, dated 31 Jan 2022) has been updated to include a new paragraph at the end of the document to provide for the use of e-consent (i.e. use of electronic signatures). It is a generic statement and can be used in all ICFs. Please refer to the table below for more details.

Page on	Section of	Section Title	Change From	Change To	Explanation
ICF	ICF				
Template	Template				
Page 11	Consent	Consent Form	Nil.	[New] The Parties (Investigator, Participant / Legally Authorised Representative & Witness) may execute this Informed Consent Form requiring a party's signature by using electronic signature process (e.g. by DocuSign, E-signature by Adobe Sign etc) and agree that signatures obtained or transmitted through electronic means, including the abovementioned signature process, shall be binding and effective for all purposes as if the signatures were executed in-person.	This statement is to provide for the use of e-consent (i.e. use of electronic signatures).

Reference: www.research.nhg.com.sg > Resources> Ethics Forms and Templates (207-001: Informed Consent Form Template)