

CERTIFICATE
Approval of Research Protocol

Pursuant to Decision No. 2960 dated 15 May 2026 of the Rector of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy on establishment of the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research;
Pursuant to Decision No. 4534 dated 22 July 2026 of the Chairperson of the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research, Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy on issuance of the Organizational and Operational Charter of the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research, Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy;
Pursuant to Minutes dated 10 August 2026 of the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research, Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy on the review of the research protocol.

INSTITUTIONAL ETHICS COMMITTEE FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH
HUE UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY:

1. Scientific and ethical approval of the study:

- 1.1. Research title: Development and evaluation an innovative health education program on venomous snakebite prevention in Quang Ngai province, Viet Nam.
1.2. Research code (if any):
1.3. Principal Investigator: Pham Thi Thien Thanh
1.4. Research-hosting institution: Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy.
1.5. Main collaborating institution (if any):.....
1.6. Research site: Quang Ngai Province
1.7. Research participants: Healthcare workers, local residents, provincial health education and communication officers, snakebite experts, and IT specialists.
1.8. Estimated number of research participants: Approximately 1061 participants.
1.9. Study duration: From August 2026 to December 2027.
1.10. Sponsor (if any):
1.11. Research Phase: Conducting the research study.

2. Permission to use the following documents in the above-mentioned study
(documents include scales, diagnostic criteria, identification criteria, etc.):

No.	Document title	Version	Date
1	HSL	Vietnamese version of the SF12/ HLS19-digi	

- 3. Approval date:** 10 August 2026 (following the full review procedure).
4. Date of next periodic report:
5. IRB recommendations for the study (if any):

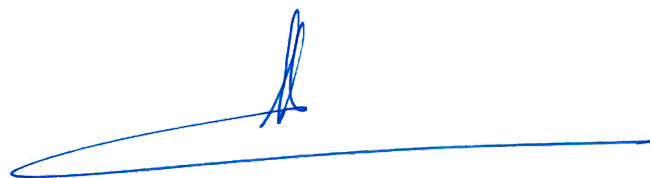
6. The Principal Investigator has the following responsibilities:

- 6.1. Comply with the approved research protocol and related documents, the principles of Good Clinical Practice, and applicable regulations on research ethics.
- 6.2. Report to the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) for Biomedical Research of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy all Serious Adverse Events (SAEs) and Suspected Unexpected Serious Adverse Reactions (SUSARs) related to the investigational product in accordance with current guidelines and regulations.
- 6.3. Report to the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy for review and approval any amendments, deviations, or modifications to the research protocol, informed consent form, and participant information documents before implementation in the study, except where a change is clearly necessary to eliminate an immediate risk to participants.
- 6.4. Submit annual progress reports on study implementation to the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy.
- 6.5. Submit ad hoc progress reports on study implementation upon request from the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy.
- 6.6. Promptly notify the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research of study suspension, early termination before the anticipated completion date, and the reason(s) for early termination.
- 6.7. Be prepared for potential site inspections by the Institutional Ethics Committee for Biomedical Research of Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy./.

Recipients:

- Research-hosting institution (for information);
- Principal Investigator (for implementation);
- Research Management Unit (for information);
- Sponsor (for coordination);
- File: Office, IEC Secretariat.

CHAIR



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