Complete for Behavioural ethics applications that include COVID-related content

Concerns have been raised about the proliferation of COVID-related research projects, with the additional burden this may place on some participant populations, and the potential increased psychological, social, and physical risks that might be caused by these projects. With this in mind, the BREB is temporarily altering its submission requirements.

This form is designed to help researchers specify the risks and benefits of their proposed COVID-related research on the research population and more broadly. Your responses will also help the research ethics reviewer to better understand the intentions and potential risks of the project. Please complete this form and attach to **Box 9.7 Other Documents** in your ethics application.

For detailed guidance: [Submitting Behavioural Applications during the COVID-19 restrictions](https://ethics.research.ubc.ca/behavioural-research-ethics/ubc-behavioural-guidance-during-covid-19-research-restrictions).

## Select only one option:

I am proposing to add COVID-19 questions to my approved ethics application.

My new proposed research is focused significantly on the impact of COVID-19

My new proposed research includes some COVID-19 related questions, but they are not the predominant focus.

Ethics ID # Click or tap here to enter text.

Please answer the following questions.

1. How does the addition of COVID related content further your research goals as stated in the ethics application (Box 5.1.A and B)?

Click or tap here to enter text.

*NB. If you are submitting an amendment to an already approved application and you are unable to answer question 1, a new (separate) ethics application may be needed. Please* [*contact BREB staff*](https://ethics.research.ubc.ca/about-human-research-ethics/contact-us/#ubc-breb) *before proceeding.*

1. Why is it necessary to include COVID-related content in this research project?

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. Check all that apply and include an explanation for each. The inclusion of COVID-related content will:

Benefit research participants? E.g. improve the quality of a therapeutic program or give participants access to benefits such as care, material goods, and supports

Click or tap here to enter text.

Benefit society or an identifiable community? E.g. indirectly influence change in policy.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Benefit the academic/research community? E.g. fill a gap in available data

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. What additional risks will be incurred by participants as a result of the COVID-related content? If you believe there are no additional risks, please explain why.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Thank you for completing this form. Please save with the *version date* in the footer and upload to **Box 9.7 Other Documents** in your ethics application.