Flowchart of the Short Form Method for Obtaining and Documenting Informed Consent from Non-English Speaking Subjects

Translated Short Form (in the subject's language)

1. The translated Short Form is provided to the subject.
2. Subject reads Short form

Signatures required on the Short Form:

1. Subject or legally authorized representative (when approved)
2. Person obtaining consent

A fully signed copy of the Short Form is given to the subject.

English-Version Informed Consent (IRB Approved)

1. The investigator provides a qualified interpreter to present orally the informed consent information and to facilitate the discussion.
2. By answering and asking questions, the investigator determines whether the subject comprehends the consent information to ensure the informed consent is valid.
3. Once the subject has consented and eligibility is confirmed, the English version of the IRB-approved consent form must be translated into the subject's language by a professional or certified translator and provided to the subject within one month from the subject's initial consent

Signatures required:

1. Interpreter/Witness
2. Person obtaining consent

A fully signed copy is given to the subject.