

## Acceptable Use Policy

### About this policy

This acceptable use policy sets out the terms between you and us under which you may access this Platform <https://www.ctc.africa> and subdomains (the “Platform”) and any related Clinical Trials Community Platforms. This Acceptable Use Policy applies to all users of, and visitors to, our Platform.

Your use of the Platform means that you accept, and agree to abide by, all the provisions of this Acceptable Use Policy, which supplement the [Terms & Conditions](#) for the use of the Platform.

### Information about us

The goal of the CTC is to increase the level of Clinical Trial investments in Africa by increasing the visibility of African clinical trialists and research Platforms as well as making transparent and accessible individual country regulatory and ethics procedures to inform decision making.

The Clinical Trials Community provides a platform for constant engagement among key stakeholders to increase efficiency and promote steady collaborations.

### Prohibited uses

You may use the Platform only for lawful purposes. You may not use our Platform:

- In any way that breaches any applicable local, national, or international law or regulation.
- In any way that is unlawful or fraudulent or has any unlawful or fraudulent purpose or effect.
- To harm or attempting to harm minors in any way.
- To send, knowingly receive, upload, download, use or re-use any material which does not comply with our content standards
- To transmit, or procure the sending of, any unsolicited or unauthorised advertising or promotional material or any other form of similar solicitation (spam); or
- To knowingly transmit any data, send or upload any material that contains viruses, Trojan horses, worms, time-bombs, keystroke loggers, spyware, adware or any other harmful programs or similar computer code designed to adversely affect the operation of any computer software or hardware.

**You also agree:**

- Not to reproduce, duplicate, copy or re-sell any part of the Platform in contravention of the provisions of the Terms & Conditions.
- Not to access without authority, interfere with, damage, or disrupt:
  - Any part of the Platform.
  - Any equipment or network on which the Platform is stored.
  - Any software used in the provision of the Platform; or
  - Any equipment or network or software owned or used by any third party.

**Interactive services**

The Platform may from time to time provides interactive services on the Platform, including (without limitation): chat rooms; forums and bulletin boards, (the “interactive services”).

The Platform is under no obligation to oversee, monitor any interactive service it provides on the Platform, and it expressly excludes liability for any loss or damage arising from the use of any interactive service by a user in contravention of the content standards, whether the service is moderated or not.

The interactive services must not be used by any minor.

Where the Platform does moderate an interactive service, it will normally provide you with a means of contacting the moderator, should a concern or difficulty arise.

**Content standards**

These content standards apply to all material which you upload to the Platform (“contributions”), and to any interactive services associated with it.

You must comply with the spirit and the letter of the following standards. The standards apply to each part of any contribution as well as to its whole.

**Contributions must:**

- be accurate (where they state facts);
- be genuinely held (where they state opinions);
- be anonymised of all personal information and
- comply with the applicable law in any country from which they are posted.

**Contributions must not:**

- contain any material which is defamatory of any person;
- contain any material which is obscene, offensive, hateful or inflammatory;

- promote sexually explicit material;
- promote violence;
- promote discrimination based on race, sex, religion, nationality, disability, sexual orientation or age;
- infringe any copyright, database right or trademark of any other person;
- be likely to deceive any person;
- be made in breach of any legal duty owed to a third party, such as a contractual duty or a duty of confidence;
- promote any illegal activity;
- be threatening, abuse or invade another's privacy, or cause annoyance, inconvenience or needless anxiety;
- be likely to harass, upset, embarrass, alarm or annoy any other person;
- be used to impersonate any person, or to misrepresent your identity or affiliation with any person;
- give the impression that they emanate from the AAS, if this is not the case;
- advocate, promote or assist any unlawful act such as (by way of example only) copyright infringement or computer misuse.

### **Suspension and termination**

The Platform will determine, in its absolute discretion, whether there has been a breach of this Acceptable Use Policy through your use of the Platform. When a breach of this Policy has occurred, the Platform may take such action as it deems appropriate.

Failure to comply with this Acceptable Use Policy constitutes a material breach of the Terms of Use upon which you are permitted to use the Platform, and may result in the Platform taking all or any of the following actions:

- immediate, temporary or permanent withdrawal of your right to use the Platform;
- immediate, temporary or permanent removal of any posting or material uploaded by you to the Platform;
- issue of a warning to you;
  - legal proceedings against you for reimbursement of all costs on an indemnity basis (including, but not limited to, reasonable administrative and legal costs) resulting from the breach;
  - further legal action against you; and/or
  - disclosure of such information to law enforcement authorities as the University reasonably feels is necessary.
- The Platform excludes liability for actions taken in response to breaches of this Acceptable Use Policy. The responses described in this Policy are not limited, and the Platform may take any other action it reasonably deems appropriate.

### **Changes to the Acceptable Use Policy**

The Platform may revise this Acceptable Use Policy at any time by amending this page. You are expected to check this page from time to time to take notice of any changes the Platform may make, as they are legally binding on you. Some of the provisions contained in this Acceptable Use Policy may also be superseded by provisions or notices published elsewhere on the Platform.

### **Contact us**

To contact us, please email [support@ctc.africa](mailto:support@ctc.africa)