**RECOMMENDED FORMAT FOR THE RESEARCH PROTOCOL**

1. Study Title ( DO NOT PUT THE AUTHOR NAME)
2. Funding Agency (aside from PSEDM)
3. Category of the Proposal/Grant being applied for
4. Summary (abstract)
5. Introduction [SUBHEADINGS ARE NOT REQUIRED]
   1. Identify what is being studied (efficacy/effectiveness or quality of care. etc)
   2. Significance
   3. Pertinent literature: to identify the gaps in current knowledge for which the current study is

needed; to bring the field up to date and clarify the state of the art

* 1. Justification for the methodology: Explain why the study is being done this way

1. Objectives
   1. General objective
   2. Specific objectives
2. Study design
3. Methods
   1. Study subjects
      1. Define target population
      2. Define how sample size is selected
         1. inclusion criteria
         2. exclusion criteria
   2. Sample size
   3. Description of study procedure/exp’tal maneuver
      1. Patient allocation
      2. Interventions
   4. Description of outcome measures
4. Data analysis
5. Ethical considerations
6. Indemnification policy
7. Time schedule
8. Duties and responsibilities of the research personnel
9. Bibliography
10. Budget
11. Appendices
    1. Consent form
    2. Dummy tables
    3. Questionnaire

***SUBMISSION OF THE STUDY IN THE PROPER FORMAT IS A REQUIREMENT FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE PROTOCOL FOR ANY OF THE RESEARCH GRANTS.***