

STATEMENT OF ETHICS

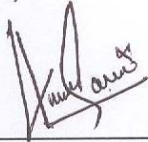
To whom it may concern

It is to state that our research titled "Relationship of parental knowledge and attitude with the oral health status and habits of children" is conducted in Karachi and I, Anum Sami being the principal investigator assure that while carrying out the research, we observe the highest possible ethical standards. We maintained the high integrity at all times regarding data gathering. We have only reported information that is in the public domain and within the law.

We have avoided plagiarism and fully acknowledged the work of others to which we have referred in our study. While acknowledging the rights of all research participants, we also retain the right to report, provided that we have complied with all the ethical protocols outlined here:

- The permission of the school Principal was obtained prior to the research study being carried out.
- The permission of parents with written consent was obtained prior to the study.
- Strict confidentiality was maintained and no names were included in final data analysis.
- All data is stored in password protected computer & forms in locked cabinet in the premises of the institute where research is conducted.

Signed,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anum Sami', is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Anum Sami