

Ethics Scenario # 1

Full disclosure of investigations to participants

ANSWER

No, the investigator should not continue with his/her plan.

The volunteer has a right to know the purpose of the investigation, about what type of involvement is required from them; who will have access to the information they provide; and, how the information will benefit the investigation. Before a participant makes a decision to be involved they must be fully informed and understand their rights in order to ensure they truly want to take part.