Syracuse University Institutional Review Board

Vulnerable Populations:

COGNITIVELY IMPAIRED

**IRB#:**

**Title:**

**PI:**

*Attach this completed form to the IRB Application when “Cognitively Impaired” is checked in Section 6 – Characteristics of Participants.*

1. If the research proposes to involve institutionalized individuals, provide sufficient justification for the use of

 that population.

1. Explain why non-institutionalized subjects are not appropriate for this research and why they may not be

 reasonably available.

1. Does the research pertain to aspects of institutionalization?

 [ ]  No [ ]  Yes

*If “Yes”, explain.*

1. Explain the procedures proposed for evaluating the mental status of prospective subjects to determine whether they are capable of consenting.

1. Is it reasonable to expect that during the course of the study, subjects may lose their capacity to consent or their ability to withdraw (e.g., research involving administration of or withdrawal from psychotropic agents)?

[ ]  No [ ]  Yes

*If “Yes”, what provisions have been made to protect the patient's rights (e.g., power of attorney, consenting a caregiver as well as the patient, etc.)?*

1. Explain how the Principal Investigator will identify persons authorized to give legally valid consent on behalf of any individual(s) judged incapable of consenting on their own behalf.

1. Will the patient's physician or another health care provider be consulted before any individual is invited to

participate in the research? Explain.

1. In your opinion, is the research likely to interfere with ongoing therapy or regimens? Explain.