**Attestation Form:**

**For the proposed use of Human Fetal Tissue (HFT) by researchers at University of Colorado Denver**

If HFT is to be provided by an external commercial vendor or an external institution, clinic or hospital then that entity providing the tissue must complete a separate attestation form and include with this application.

To ensure adherence to ethical standards and social norms for research projects that are not required to undergo scientific and/or regulatory review in accordance with federal or state regulations, the Scientific Ethics Committee has been established.

The SEC has adopted the NIH guidelines apply specifically to hESCs more broadly so that UCD expects that research conducted with any human fetal and / or embryonic tissue meet these same ethical standards, regardless of tissue type.

**Name of External third party providing the HFT:**

**Attestation section of the application**

If HFT is to be provided to any faculty, employees, or staff of UCD from an outside entity, prior to procurement an authorized individual from that entity must attest in writing as follows:

**[ ]  The embryos are not created for research purposes**

**[ ]  The decision to donate embryos and / or fetal tissue was voluntary and not coerced**

**[ ]  Embryos and / or fetal tissue were not created or donated for donor's personal gain/agenda**

**[ ]  Donors were aware of the implications of donating embryos and / or fetal tissue and signed an IRB or Ethic Committee approved consent form**

**[ ]  UCD funds will not lead to the destruction of embryos or fetuses**

**[ ]  No payments and/or valuable consideration were made to any third party for the conduct of, inducement of, or the product of an abortion, including without limitation any parent(s) of any unborn fetus. Valuable consideration includes money, gifts in lieu of money, barter arrangements or exchange of services that do not constitute reasonable payment associated with the transportation, implantation, processing, preservation, quality control or storage of human fetal tissue.**

**[ ]  None of the tissue provided has been or will be obtained from any Planned Parenthood site.**

**I hereby attest that:**

* **The information provided above is accurate**
* **All human fetal tissue provided was collected in accordance with all applicable laws and policies governing the procurement and distribution of HFT.**

**Signature of representative for the external entity providing the HFT:**

**Date:**