**Sri Lanka Journal of Forensic Medicine, Science & Law**

**Declaration Form**

**Paper title:**  Click or tap here to enter text.

**Originality:** 🞎 Not previously published

🞎 Not sent to another journal for consideration concurrently

🞎 Previously published and full details are included

**Details**: Click or tap here to enter text.

**Conflicts of interests:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Ethical Clearance:** 🞎 Certificate attached

🞎 Exempted. Evidence attached.

🞎 Not obtained. **Reasons**: Click or tap here to enter text.

We do hereby declare that all authors of this article consent for the publication in SLJFMSL and are responsible for work carried out in the study. Contributions of each author\*, competing interests, ethical approval and any possible overlap with prior publications are stated.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Name of author | Contribution |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |

**Signatures of authors:** Author 1: ………………………………….

Author 2: ………………………………….

Author 3: ………………………………….

Author 4: ………………………………….

Author 5: ………………………………….

\*The International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE) recommends that authorship be based on the following 4 criteria:

* Substantial contributions to the conception or design of the work; or the acquisition, analysis, or interpretation of data for the work; AND
* Drafting the work or revising it critically for important intellectual content; AND
* Final approval of the version to be published; AND
* Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved.

All those designated as authors should meet all four criteria for authorship, and all who meet the four criteria should be identified as authors. Contributors who meet fewer than all 4 of the above criteria for authorship should not be listed as authors, but they should be acknowledged.