OUR COMMITMENT TO BIOETHICS

Bioethics influences the complex interaction of human life, science and technology. AbbVie’s bioethical principles are consistent with the World Medical Association Declaration of Helsinki. We believe bioethics is an important compass for any health care company’s behavior, as it addresses principled issues involving the use of life sciences and technologies for the development and production of biotechnological and pharmaceutical products. We conduct our business in accordance with the highest standards of bioethics, and promote bioethical practices and procedures throughout all areas of our business. We have clear and strong bioethics policies and protocols in place at AbbVie. Our strict policies address:

- The welfare of our patients
- The conduct of clinical trials
- The treatment of animals
- The confidentiality of personal information
- The ethical use of new biological and medical knowledge

Our biomedical principles are part of our strict corporate policies. These principles are focused on responsible pharmaceutical research including safeguarding the volunteers and patients who participate in clinical trials. We adhere to our strict principles and policies – even when local law stipulates a less robust approach.