## **File Note**

Short Study Title:	
Investigator / Site:	
IRAS ID:	
File Note Title:	
*FN no:	

**FN Prefix Key:** TMF = Trials Master File, ISF = Investigator Site File, SP = Sponsor File, DM = Data management, PH = Pharmacy, PROG = Programming; STA = Statistics, OTHER = For use if none of the other prefix options apply

**Issue:** 

**Corrective Actions:** 

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**Preventative Actions:** 

Name:	Study Role:	Signature and Date [yyyy.mm.dd.]:
File note author <sup>#</sup>		
(Person who wrote the note)		
Approved by∞		
(if applicable)		

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## **INSTRUCTIONS Page - remove once finalised and BEFORE PRINTING**

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# = File notes should be completed by the individual or organization responsible for its content, as follows:

- 1. If the issue relates to site performance, the appropriate delegated individual from the site (e.g., site coordinator, research nurse) should write and sign the File Note.
- 2. If the issue relates to Investigator's responsibilities (e.g., human subject protection, data integrity at the site), the Investigator should write and sign the File Note.
- 3. If the file note has been written on behalf of the Investigator, then the author should be the writer of the File Note and the approval signed by the Investigator.
- 4. If the issue relates to actions taken by the Sponsor, an appropriate delegated individual from the Sponsor should write and sign the File Note.
- 5. If the File Note pertains to the conduct of the Sponsor, then the author should be the writer of the File Note and the approval signed by the Sponsor.
- 6. Keep a file note log of all file notes CCTU/FRM050
- 7. File the file note with the documentation it refers to

 $\infty$  = File note approval is required depending on the nature of the file note. See 3-5 above

## To update a signed locked File Note (FN) perform the following steps:

Once signed, the FN will become locked and is no longer editable. If further updates are required to be made to the locked FN perform the following steps:

- 1. The FN author who signed must open the FN and save it as a new name
- 2. Once the file name is updated, go to the author signature panel and right click

3. Select 'clear signature'. *Please note*, the signature can only be cleared by the individual who signed the FN originally

4. The FN can now be updated and then re-signed, after which the FN will lock again