Decision flowchart: My Project Involves Human Participants and/or Personal Data. Do I need to apply to CUREC?

**Project Scenario**

- Using data collected before the project was formulated, where data are fully anonymous and not identifiable by researchers (see FAQ A3)
- Conducting project on behalf of, or at request of an institution, company or service provider?
- Project aims primarily to monitor or improve performance of that institution/company/provider?
- Conclusions are wholly or primarily applicable to that institution/company/provider?
- Is there potential that the project, or material from it, be published?
- Just internally published? e.g. internal company report, confidential report, funding case development, research methods development
- Planned for external, publicly-accessible publication? e.g. thesis deposited online in the Oxford Research Archive, conference presentation, peer-reviewed journal publication

**Outcome**

- Ethical approval not required
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