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Ms Grace Lovett
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Dear Ms Lovett,

QA: 009/14 - 'Efficacy and safety of long-term tenofovir therapy in patients with chronic hepatitis B

Thank you for submitting your application for approval of Quality Assurance activity. The Quality Assurance Sub-committee of Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)-A has approved the above mentioned project as a Quality Assurance activity at the following sites:

1. St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)

This approval will be ratified by St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne) HREC-A at the next meeting.

The project complies with the principles of the *National Statement on the Ethical Conduct of Human Research* (NHMRC; 2007).

Approved documents

The following documents have been reviewed and approved:

Document	Version	Date
Quality Assurance Activity	1	5 Jan 2014

Terms of approval

1. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure that all investigators are aware of the terms of approval and to ensure the project is conducted as specified in the application.
2. You should notify the Research Governance Unit immediately of any serious or unexpected adverse effects on participants or unforeseen events affecting the ethical acceptability of the project.
3. **Amendments to the approved project:** Changes to any aspect of the project require the submission of a Request for Amendment to the Quality Assurance Sub-committee and must not begin without written approval. Substantial variations may require a new application.
4. **Future correspondence:** Please quote the reference number and project title above in any further correspondence.

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Prague House

5. **Final report:** A Final Report must be provided at the conclusion of the project.
6. **Monitoring:** Projects may be subject to an audit or any other form of monitoring by the Research Governance Unit at any time.

We wish you well with your project.

Yours sincerely,



Eleisha McNeill
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Research Governance Unit
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