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Miss Janske Reiling
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Dear Miss Reiling,

Research Title: Biliary strictures in liver transplant recipients in Queensland, Australia: A retrospective study.

HREC Number: HREC/13/QPAH/382

I am writing to inform you that your request for access to confidential health information for the above project has been approved under the delegation of the Director-General. In accordance with Section 284 of the *Public Health Act 2005* the researchers listed in your application, dated 28 June 2013 can access and use the specified confidential information, providing they act within the limits detailed in your submission.

This approval (RD004785) commences on the date of this letter and is valid to 27 June 2016.

This approval relates to data for the period from 01 January 2005 to 01 June 2013 from the Princess Alexandra Hospital.

This approval means that you must undertake the responsibilities and obligations of confidentiality of the information under the provisions of the *Public Health Act 2005*. You must take all reasonable steps necessary to ensure that the confidential information is kept confidential, including storing or disposing of all data, information, documents and associated correspondence in a secure manner. Unauthorised use or disclosure of confidential information may incur a penalty under the laws of the Queensland Government. These obligations include providing notification of any change in the names of persons who will be given the information for the research.

When conducting research within the Queensland public health system, a copy of this Approval Letter must be provided to the relevant Research Governance Officer as part of your research governance application.

Please display this letter and a copy of your application when requesting the confidential information from the relevant data custodian.

You are required to provide an annual progress report and a final report at the completion of your project, to Health and Medical Research, Preventive Health Unit. Templates can be found on the web page http://www.health.qld.gov.au/ohmr/html/regu/aces_conf_hth_info.asp

Should you wish to extend your research project beyond this time or amend the study protocol, you will need to seek approval of these amendments from the approving HREC and re-apply for approval of the release of confidential data. This includes disclosing this information to and recruiting additional people to this project. Please provide a copy of your HREC approval of the amendments when re-applying.

Please feel free to contact Health and Medical Research, Preventive Health Unit on email HMR@health.qld.gov.au or phone 07 3328 9866 if you have any queries on this matter.

Yours sincerely



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