

## Human Research Ethics Committee - Scientific and Ethical Review Ethical Approval – Granted

12 September 2017

Dear Researchers,

### **LR64/2017 - Rapid infliximab infusions are safe, cost-effective and improve patient satisfaction and quality of life**

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Principal Investigators: Dr Charlotte Keung, Dr Daniel van Langenberg

Associate Investigators: Anne McFarlane,

Eastern Health Sites: Box Hill Hospital, Maroondah Hospital, Angliss Hospital, Yarra Ranges Health, Hospital-in-the-Home

Approval Period: On-going - subject to a satisfactory progress report being submitted annually

Thank you for the submission of the above project for review. The project has been reviewed by the Eastern Health Human Research Ethics Committee. The project considered low risk in accordance with definitions given in the National Statement (2007). All queries have now been addressed and the project is accordingly **APPROVED**.

Documents submitted for review:

- Low Risk & Negligible Risk Research Application Form v1 dated 20 July 2017
- Rapid (30-minute) Infliximab Patient Survey v2 dated 05 September 2017

### **Reporting Requirements:**

Please note, an **annual progress report is required every February for the preceding calendar year until project completion**. Continuing approval is subject to the timely submission of a satisfactory progress report. Progress report template can be downloaded from our web-page:

<http://www.easternhealth.org.au/research-ethics/research-ethics/quick-links-to-forms-and-templates>

Please ensure you notify the Ethics Committee of all personnel changes and any serious adverse events that may affect study conduct. Any changes to the approved Protocol or other approved documents must be submitted for ethical review and approval prior to use.

Please quote our reference number **LR64/2017** in all future correspondence.

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of:

1. Eastern Health Human Research Ethics Committee (Ethics Approval)
2. Executive Director Medical Services and Research (Site Authorisation)

### **Confidentiality, Privacy & Research**

Research data stored on personal computers, USBs and other portable electronic devices must not be identifiable. No patients' names or UR numbers must be stored on these devices.

Electronic storage devices must be password protected or encrypted.

The conduct of research must be compliant with the conditions of ethics approval and Eastern Health policies.

### **Publications**

Whilst the Eastern Health Research and Ethics Committee is an independent committee, the committee and Eastern Health management encourage the publication of the results of research in a discipline appropriate manner. Publications provide evidence of the contribution that participants, researchers and funding sources make.

It is very important that the role of Eastern Health is acknowledged in publications.