

Human Research Ethics Committee

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PROJECT: Frequency of Swan-Ganz Catheter visualization in the pulmonary artery from transthoracic echocardiography examinations.

PROJECT No: H2012/04776

Date: 15 August 2012

Approval Period: 15 August 2012 to 15 August 2013

Re: Approval of Study Application

1) Study Activity Application - dated 30 July 2012

2) Protocol v1.1 (Revised 14 August 2012)

I wish to inform you that the study named above has been reviewed and approved by the Austin Health Research Ethics Unit on behalf of the Austin Health Human Research Ethics Committee.

Should your study not commence twelve (12) months from the date of this letter this approval will lapse. A resubmission to the Research Ethics Unit would then be necessary before you could commence.

Should you plan for your study to go beyond the 1-year ethics approval, please request in writing an extension of ethics approval prior to it lapsing.

Please note a final report or publication must be submitted for all studies. Within external publications, the description of the approval granted for activity should read "This study was approved by the Austin Health Research Ethics Unit as a Prospective Study Activity".

Yours Sincerely,



Jodie Palmer

Research Governance Officer, Research Ethics Unit

This HREC is constituted and operates in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)*, *NHMRC and Universities Australia Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2007)* and the *CPMP/ICH Note for Guidance on Good Clinical Practice annotated with TGA comments (July 2008)* and the applicable laws and regulations; and the *Health Privacy Principles in The Health Record Act 2001*. The process this HREC uses to review multi-centre research proposals has been certified by the NHMRC.