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Dear Researcher,

Quality Assurance Title: Prognostic significance of hepatic encephalopathy in patients with cirrhosis treated with current standard of care therapy

Monash Health Ref: RES-19-0000-296Q


Thank you for your application. It is our understanding that this project is a quality & service improvement exercise involving collection, use and disclosure of data in a de-identified format to be conducted at Monash Health. Such data is to be accessed by a Monash Health employee only. As such, we advise that it does not raise any ethical concerns and does not fall within the category of a 'research' project within the National Statement on Ethical Conduct In Human Research (NHMRC, 2007). This project does not require submission to the Monash Health Human Research Ethics Committee. In addition, this Quality & Service Improvement activity can be described as an activity to monitor, improve and evaluate the quality of health services provided by Monash Health.

For our record-keeping purposes, we will deem this activity will be in progress for 12 months from this date, unless we hear from you to the contrary. It will then be classified as completed.

Please note this letter only pertains to the Quality & Service Improvement activity being conducted at Monash Health. If it is intended the Quality & Service Improvement activity will be conducted at another institution appropriate review and authorisation will be required prior to commencement at another institution.

Should you have any queries please contact me on 03 9594 4090.

Yours sincerely



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