



## Eye & Ear Hospital

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Dear Dr Rees

**HREC Reference Number:** 13/1150H

Personalising eye consultations (PEC) to improve outcomes in diabetic retinopathy

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I acknowledge receipt of the revised application and Head of Supporting Department form for the above study. I am pleased to inform you that ethical approval has now been granted for this project.

The project number **13/1150H** was allocated, and this number should be used in all future correspondence.

The following Researchers were approved: (subject to RVEEH appointments and scope of practice for researchers where required):

- Dr Gwyn Rees
- A/Prof Neale Cohen
- Dr Lyndell Lim
- Prof Jane Speight
- Prof Richard Maclsaac
- A/Prof Ecosse Lamoureux
- Dr Sukhpal Sandhu
- Dr Jing Xie
- Prof Duncan Topliss
- Prof Eric Finkelstein
- Prof Tien Wong

The Human Research & Ethics Committee of the Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital is constituted and operates in accordance with the National Health & Medical Research Council (NHMRC) National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007) and the NHMRC Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research (2007).

The Committee requires an annual progress report, and must approve any proposed amendments to the protocol. All serious or unexpected adverse effects on participants or any unforeseen events that might affect continued ethical acceptability of the trial must be reported to the Committee.

The Committee requires you to preserve the confidentiality of information about research subjects, and to ensure the confidentiality of records. Information obtained for your research that is confidential or personal must not be used for purposes other than those specified in the approved protocol.

Ethical approval is valid from the date of this letter until 20 January 2019. At the end of this period, or at the conclusion of the research, a final report is required along with a copy of any publications.

On behalf of the Committee, I wish you every success with your project.

Yours sincerely

Kerry Baker  
Secretary  
Human Research & Ethics Committee

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