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 Our Ref: AM/2024/QMS/94243
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Metro South Health

Metro South Research

Mr Matthew Brown
 Office of the Chief Health Officer
 Queensland Health

Dear Mr Brown,

HREC Reference Number:	HREC/2023/QMS/94243
Project Title:	Health complications after COVID-19 or Influenza

In my capacity as Chair of the Metro South Human Research Ethics Committee, I have reviewed and approve of the following protocol amendment:

Documents reviewed and approved:	Version	Date
Protocol	1.4	12.06.2024
Documents Noted:	Version	Date
Notification of <i>HREC Amendments Qld</i> – submitted via Ethical Review Manager (ERM) with respect to the following:	2	June 2024

This amendment will be ratified by the HREC at its 03.09.2024 meeting.

Please liaise with your Research Governance Office/r and provide a copy of this approval letter as required.

It should be noted that all requirements of the original approval still apply. Please continue to provide at least annual progress reports until the study has been completed.

The Metro South 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 (2023)*, *NHMRC and Universities Australia Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2018)* and the *CPMP/ICH Note for Guidance on Good Clinical Practice*. The composition of the Metro South HREC can be found on our website here: <https://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/research/about-us/hrec>. If applicable, please ensure the PowerTrials for this study is also updated accordingly [Metro South Health | Digital Hospital Quick Reference Guide - PowerTrials: POM - Create New Protocol](#).

If you require further information, please contact the Human Research Ethics Committee Office on (07) 3443 8049.

Yours sincerely,

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Dr Mary Boyde
Chair
Human Research Ethics Committee (EC00167)
Metro South Research
Metro South Hospital and Health Service

Appendix: List of Participating Sites

No.	Sites
1.	Queensland Health

You are reminded that this letter constitutes ethical approval only. You must not commence this research protocol at a site until separate authorisation from the Hospital Health Service Chief Executive (CE) or Delegate of that site has been obtained.

A copy of this approval must be submitted to the Research Governance Office(r)/Delegate of the relevant institution with a completed Site Specific Assessment (SSA) Form for authorisation from the CE or Delegate to conduct this research at the sites listed in the Appendix.

If this study currently receives grant funding, please remember to forward a copy of this approval letter to the relevant Grants Office of the Administering Institution(s) for the grant.

This HREC is constituted and operates in accordance with the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)*. The processes used by this HREC to review multi-centre research proposals have been certified by the National Health and Medical Research Council.