

13th October, 2016

Dear Judith,

WAAHEC HREC Project Reference: 717

Project Title: Baseline for monitoring the burden of rheumatic heart disease in Australian jurisdictions: Western Australia component

Thank you for submitting the above research project which was considered by the WAAHEC on 12th October, 2016. I am pleased to advise that the WAAHEC has reviewed and approved the following documents for use in this project:

Document(s):

- WAAHEC Application Form
- Values and Ethics Statement
- WA HREC Linked Data Approval
- Kimberley Aboriginal Health Planning Forum (KAHPF) approval
- Letter of support, WA Health Division
- Letter of support, Heart Foundation
- The END RHD CRE
- Vanguard Grant

The WAAHEC has granted approval of this research project from date of the meeting held, pending your agreement of the following conditions:

1. Conditions

The WAAHEC will be notified, giving reasons, if the project is discontinued before the expected date of completion.

- The coordinating Investigator will provide a Progress Report every 30th June each year in the specified format. This form can be found on the AHCWA website (www.ahcwa.org).
- The approval for studies is for three years and the research should be commenced and completed within that period of time. Projects must be resubmitted if an extension of time is required.



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- Publications that arise from this research are to be provided to the WAAHEC for review prior to submission for dissemination.
- That the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community are formally acknowledged for their contribution to this research project.

Amendments

- If there is an event requiring amendments to be submitted you should immediately contact ethics@ahcwa.org for advice.

Should you have any queries about the WAAHEC's consideration of your project please contact ethics@ahcwa.org.

The WAAHEC wishes you every success in your research.

Kind regards



Tara Pierson

For, Vicki O'Donnell
Chair, WAAHEC

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*. The process this HREC uses to review multi-centre research proposals has been certified by the NHMRC.



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