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Dear Dr Bates,

**Re: Enhancing rehabilitation services for
Aboriginal Australians after brain injury.**

(Our ref: 1198)

Thank you for forwarding the above study for review by the St John of God Health Care (SJGHC) Human Research Ethics Committee ("the Committee"). Your study was reviewed at the recent Scientific Review Subcommittee meeting on 14 July 2017.

I am pleased to advise that the Committee has granted ethical approval of your study as satisfying the ethical requirements under the National Health and Medical Research Council's *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research* (NHMRC, 2007) ("the National Statement"). This ethical approval is inclusive of the documents included with your submission email dated 5 July 2017.

The HREC approval period is from 14 July 2017 to 30 June 2021. Should an extension of this timeframe be required, you must seek continued approval from the Committee before the expiry of this time period.

In accordance with NHMRC guidelines, the Participating Site/ Principal Investigator is responsible for:

1. Notification to the HREC of any adverse events or unexpected outcomes that may affect the continuing ethical acceptability of the study;
2. The submission of any proposed amendments to the study or previously-approved documents;
3. The submission of an annual progress report for the duration of the study which is due on the anniversary of HREC approval;
4. Reporting of any protocol deviations or violations, together with details of the procedure(s) put in place to ensure the deviation or violation does not recur;
5. Notification and reason for ceasing the study prior to its expected date of completion (if applicable);
6. The submission of a final report and translation of results (including publications) upon completion of the study.

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The following documents have been reviewed and approved:

Title	Version	Date
Main Protocol	1	16/05/2017
Intervention Protocol	1	16/05/2017
Master ABIC PICF	1	28/06/2017
Master Cultural Security Training PICF	1	28/06/2017
Master Family Member PICF	1	28/06/2017
Master Participant PICF	1	28/06/2017
Master Person Responsible PICF	1	28/06/2017

You are reminded that this letter constitutes ethical approval only. You must not commence this research at SJGHC until separate authorisation in writing has been obtained.

Final approval for this study to be conducted at SJG Midland Hospital is subject to receipt of a completed Participating Site Operational Approval form and confirmation of Legal approval. Once these have been received by the SJGHC Ethics Office, you will be advised of final study approval in writing.

I wish you well with your research.

Yours sincerely,



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St John of God Health Care Human Research Ethics Committee

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