

GCHHS ETHICS COMMITTEE CERIFICATE OF APPROVAL

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HREC Reference: LNR/2022/QGC/87977
Project title: An Overview of Intubations for Drug Overdose at Gold Coast University Hospital and Health Service: A Retrospective Cohort/Descriptive Study

Thank you for submitting the above-named project for ethical and scientific review, which was undertaken by a panel of the Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC).

This research project has been approved and meets the requirements of the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)-Updated May 2018*. The decision will be ratified at the 24 August 2022 Meeting of the HREC.

HREC approval date: 2 August 2022 (valid for 3 years)

Sites Approved

Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service

Please note the following conditions of approval:

1. **This letter constitutes ethical approval only and is not authorisation to commence.** Please submit this letter to the Research Governance Officer (RGO) at any HHS study sites along with a completed Site-Specific Assessment (SSA) Form and relevant documents, for authorisation.
2. In accordance with the requirements of the *National Statement*, sections 2.3.9 - 2.3.10, the HREC **waived** the requirement for consent for the collection, use and/or disclosure of personal information in medical research or personal health information for the research project listed.
 - a. Please consider permissions under the *Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011* or *Public Health Act 2005* to enable access to confidential information for the purposes of research without consent. If you are unsure which permissions to use you should contact the local Research Governance Officer at the site/s where the research will be conducted.
3. **Reporting to HREC:** The following reports are required by the HREC. Failure to report may result in withdrawal or suspension of HREC approval:
 - i. **Annual Progress Reports:** Progress reports are due by **30 April** each year.

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- ii. **Other monitoring:** The GCHHS administration and/or HREC may inquire into the conduct of any research being conducted on GCHHS premises or claiming any association with GCHHS; or which the Committee has approved.

4. **Amendments:** Amendments to the research project which may affect the ongoing ethical acceptability of a project must be submitted to the HREC for review. Please provide the rationale for the amendment and track changed documents where applicable. These must be submitted via a PAN form in ERM.

5. **Early termination/ routine completion of the project:**

- a. Please notify the HREC if the project is discontinued at any site prior to completion.
- b. For projects that are completed, submit a progress report with a copy of any research summaries or intended publications.

APPROVED DOCUMENTS

It is the Coordinating Principal Investigator's responsibility to ensure that all researchers associated with this project are aware of the conditions of approval and which documents have been approved:

Document	Version	Date
HREA Application	1	3 July 2022
Response to request for further information	-	18 July 2022
Protocol	1.5	July 2022
CV – PELLATT, Richard	-	2022

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 (Updated 2018)*, *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 GCHHS HREC has been certified by the NHMRC to review multi centre research.

The HREC Terms of Reference, Standard Operating Procedures, membership and standard forms are available from http://www.health.qld.gov.au/ohmr/html/regu/regu_home.asp

The HREC wishes you and your colleagues every success in your research.



Vanessa Druett

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On behalf of

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Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service Human Research Ethics Committee (EC00160)

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