

Research Integrity & Ethics Administration
Human Research Ethics Committee

Tuesday, 5 December 2023

Dr Ernest Ekpo
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Dear Ernest,

The University of Sydney Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) has considered your application.

After consideration of your response to the comments raised your project has been approved.

Approval is granted for a period of four years from **5/12/2023 to 5/12/2027**

Project No.: 2023/740

Project Title: Radiation Dose Monitoring Software in Computed Tomography:
The Australian Experience.

Authorised Personnel: Ekpo Ernest; Tavakoli Taba Seyedamir; Alanazi Mohammed;
Kench Peter;

First Annual Report due: 5/12/2024

Documents Approved:

Date Uploaded	Version number	Document Name
22/11/2023	Version 2	PIS version 2
22/11/2023	Version 2	Survey Questions version 2
22/11/2023	Version 1	Recruitment Email Letter version 1
22/11/2023	Version 2	Recruitment Email Letter version 2
22/11/2023	Version 1	Research Flyer
22/11/2023	Version 1	PIS version 1
22/11/2023	Version 1	PCF version 1
22/11/2023	Version 2	PCF version 2
22/11/2023	Version 1	Survey Questions version 1

Special Condition/s of Approval



- You may need to obtain a letter of permission or site specific approval from Local Health Districts to recruit staff via their work email address (even if obtained from external sources) prior to the relevant part of this research commencing. You do not need to provide a copy to the Ethics Office, however you would need to keep a copy on file as part of your records.

Condition/s of Approval

- Research must be conducted according to the approved proposal.
- An annual progress report must be submitted to the Ethics Office on or before the anniversary of approval and on completion of the project.
- You must report as soon as practicable anything that might warrant review of ethical approval of the project including:
 - Serious or unexpected adverse events (which should be reported within 72 hours).
 - Unforeseen events that might affect continued ethical acceptability of the project.
- Any changes to the proposal must be approved prior to their implementation (except where an amendment is undertaken to eliminate *immediate* risk to participants).
- Personnel working on this project must be sufficiently qualified by education, training and experience for their role, or adequately supervised. Changes to personnel must be reported and approved.
- Personnel must disclose any actual or potential conflicts of interest, including any financial or other interest or affiliation, as relevant to this project.
- Data and primary materials must be retained and stored in accordance with the relevant legislation and University guidelines.
- Ethics approval is dependent upon ongoing compliance of the research with the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research*, the *Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research*, applicable legal requirements, and with University policies, procedures and governance requirements.
- The Ethics Office may conduct audits on approved projects.
- The Chief Investigator has ultimate responsibility for the conduct of the research and is responsible for ensuring all others involved will conduct the research in accordance with the above.
- The Clinical Trials Support Office has been notified as outlined in the University's Clinical Trials Policy where a clinical trial is being undertaken.

This letter constitutes ethical approval only.

Please contact the Ethics Office should you require further information or clarification.

Sincerely,

Associate Professor Syeda Zakia Hossain
Chair



Health Review Committee (Low Risk)

The University of Sydney HRECs are constituted and operate in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) current National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2018) and the NHMRC's current Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2018).