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Dear Ms Packham

HREC reference number: HREC/14/SAH/176

Project title: Effectiveness of Dialectical Behaviour Therapy Group Skills Training for Borderline Personality Disorder in Community Mental Health

Thank you for responding to the issues raised by the SA Health HREC in relation to the above project. Your response was reviewed by a sub group of the HREC out-of-session.

I am pleased to advise that your application has been granted full ethics approval and appears to meet the requirements of the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research*.

Please note the following conditions of approval:

- The research must be conducted in accordance with the 'National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research.'
- A progress report, at least annually, must be provided to the HREC.
- When the project is completed, a final report must be provided to the HREC.
- The HREC must be notified of any complaints by participants or of adverse events involving participants.
- The HREC must be notified immediately of any unforeseen events that might affect ethical acceptability of the project.
- Any proposed changes to the original proposal must be submitted to and approved by the HREC before they are implemented.
- If the project is discontinued before its completion, the HREC must be advised immediately and provided with reasons for discontinuing the project.

HREC approval is valid for 3 years from the date of this letter.

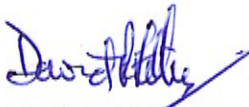
Should you have any queries about the HREC's consideration of your project please contact Lauren Perry, Executive Officer of the HREC, on (08) 8226 6431 or hrec@health.sa.gov.au

You are reminded that this letter constitutes ethical approval only. You must not commence this research project at a SA Health site until separate authorisation from the Chief Executive or delegate of that site has been obtained via the completion of a Site Specific Assessment form. Please contact David van der Hoek via email at ResearchGovernance@health.sa.gov.au to discuss this process further.

If University personnel are involved in this project, the Principal Investigator should notify the University before commencing their research to ensure compliance with University requirements including any insurance and indemnification requirements.

The HREC wishes you every success in your research.

Yours sincerely



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