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## **Final Approval for Ethics Application**

15 February 2019

Professor Sue Gordon College of Nursing and Health Sciences Flinders University

Dear Professor Gordon,

**OFR Number: 260.18** 

HREC reference number: HREC/18/SAC/309

Project title: Comparing the effect of high support chair design on the health of

immobile aged care residents and carers. **Chief Investigator**: Professor Sue Gordon

Ethics Approval Period: 15 February 2019 – 15 February 2022

The Southern Adelaide Clinical Human Research Ethics Committee (SAC HREC) (EC00188) have reviewed and provided approval for this application which meets the requirements of the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research* (2007, Updated 2018).

You are reminded that this letter constitutes **Ethics** approval only. **Ethics approval** is one aspect of the research governance process.

You must not commence this research project at any SA Health sites listed in the application until a Site Specific Assessment (SSA), or Access Request for data or tissue form, has been approved by the Chief Executive or delegate of each site.

The below documents have been reviewed and approved:

- HREA, dated 4 February 2019
- Project description, version 2, dated 3 January 2019
- Self PICF, version 4, dated 14 February 2019
- Person responsible PICF, version 4, dated 14 February 2019
- Staff PICF, version 3, dated 4 February 2019
- Recruitment flyer, version 4, dated 14 February 2019
- Chair photos, version 1, dated 18 September 2018
- Staff survey, version 1.1, dated 18 September 2018
- Data collection sheet

## **Terms and Conditions Of Ethics Approval:**

It is essential that researchers adhere to the conditions below and with the *National Statement chapter 5.5.* 

Final ethics approval is granted subject to the researcher agreeing to meet the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The approval only covers the science and ethics component of the application. A SSA will need to be submitted and authorised before this research project can commence at any of the approved sites identified in the application.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Compliance with the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007, Updated 2018) & the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2018).
- 4. To immediately report to SAC HREC anything that may change the ethics or scientific integrity of the project.
- Report Significant Adverse events (SAE's) as per SAE requirements available at our website.
- 6. Submit an annual report on each anniversary of the date of final approval and in the correct template from the SAC HREC website.
- 7. Confidentiality of research participants MUST be maintained at all times.
- 8. A copy of the signed consent form must be given to the participant unless the project is an audit.
- 9. Any reports or publications derived from the research should be submitted to the Committee at the completion of the project.
- 10. All requests for access to medical records at any SALHN site must be accompanied by this approval email.
- 11. To regularly review the SAC HREC website and comply with all submission requirements, as they change from time to time.
- 12. Once your research project has concluded, any new product/procedure/intervention cannot be conducted in the SALHN as standard practice without the approval of the SALHN New Medical Products and Standardisation Committee or the SALHN New Health Technology and Clinical Practice Innovation Committee (as applicable). Please refer to the relevant committee link on the SALHN intranet for further information.

For any queries about this matter, please contact the Office for Research on (08) 8204 6453 or via email to Health.SALHNOfficeforResearch@sa.gov.au

Yours sincerely

**Professor Bill Heddle** 

Chair, Southern Adelaide Clinical Human Research Ethics Committee