

20 November 2018

Dr Barbara Bell
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Dear Dr Bell,

Reference number: Bell 19112018

Project title: A cluster randomised controlled trial to evaluate the impact using a sterile surgical skin marker, to indicate the location of the optimal vein for venepuncture, has on phlebotomy success in a blood donation setting (Vein Marker – Study 2)

Thank you for submitting the above research project for ethical review. Your project has been assigned the reference: Bell 19112018. This number must be quoted in all correspondence to this Ethics Committee. The project was considered by the Chair on behalf of the Blood Service Ethics Committee. I am pleased to advise you that this research project has been granted ethical approval.

Approval of this project from the Blood Service Ethics Committee is valid from 20 November 2018 to 20 November 2021 subject to the following conditions being met:

- The Principal Investigator will immediately report anything that might warrant review of ethical approval of the project.
- Approval will be sought from the Committee for any proposed changes to the protocol, including changes to investigators, and changes to the approved documents listed above. An approval letter from the Blood Service Ethics Committee must be received before the amendment is implemented.
- The Blood Service Ethics Committee will be advised if the research project is discontinued before the expected date of completion, if commencement is delayed, or if the duration of the project will extend past the approval period listed above.
- A brief report will be provided to the Blood Service Ethics Committee annually and at the completion of the project.

Should you require any further information, please contact the Ethics Secretary at ethics@redcrossblood.org.au.

Yours faithfully,



Dr Larissa Aldridge
Ethics Secretary
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The Blood Service Ethics Committee 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)*.

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