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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The Monash Health Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC), HREC A and HREC B, is a sub-committee of the Monash Health Research Council, and is established and operates in accordance with the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2023)*.

The HREC is constituted according to paragraphs 5.1.29 – 5.1.42 of the *National Statement* and the membership of an HREC meeting includes the following categories:

- (a) a chairperson with suitable experience, including previous membership of an HREC, whose other responsibilities will not impair the HREC's capacity to carry out its obligations under the *National Statement*;
- (b) two people who bring a broader community or consumer perspective and who have no paid affiliation with the institution;
- (c) a person with knowledge of, and current experience in, the professional care or treatment of people; for example, a nurse, counsellor or allied health professional;
- (d) a person who performs a pastoral care role in a community including, but not limited to, an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander elder or community leader, a chaplain or a minister of religion or other religious leader;
- (e) a qualified lawyer, who may or may not be currently practicing and, where possible, is not engaged to advise the institution on research-related or any other matters; and
- (f) two people with current research experience that is relevant to research proposals to be considered at the meetings they attend.

In relation to conflicts of interest, the HREC complies with the requirements stated under chapter 5.6 of the *National Statement*.

For any further inquiries on the matter, please contact the Research Support Services at Research@monashhealth.org.

Yours sincerely,



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