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Dear Professor Bath,

Ethics Reference: 09/H0409/5

Project Title: Rapid Intervention with Glyceryl trinitrate (GTN) in Hypertensive Stroke Trial (RIGHT)

I am pleased to inform you that your project has gained organisational approval; you can now proceed with your research.

East Midlands Ambulance Service is required to ensure that all research is carried out in full compliance with national research governance arrangements.

The conditions of research governance include ensuring the following are adhered to:

- Consent procedures
- Caldicott, data and confidentiality issues
- Health and Safety issues
- Participation with research monitoring

The level of monitoring will depend on the degree of risk associated with the research project, but this is not expected to be onerous on you as the researcher. East Midlands Ambulance Service is obliged by the government to audit at least 10% of research projects. This means that the Research and Development Administrator may visit you and check the procedures you have in place. We would inform you in writing prior to any visit and arrange a suitable date and time with you or your representative.

All lead researchers will be asked to inform us of any changes in their research proposals e.g. change of personnel, any adverse incidents etc. Although this may seem bureaucratic, I am sure



you agree that assuring the quality and ethics of research is in the interest of patients, researchers and the NHS.

East Midlands Ambulance Service also follows the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and the details of each active and completed research study will again be automatically published on East Midlands Ambulance Service's website unless you specify otherwise.

We would also like to remind researchers to declare any conflict of interest that they may have including commercial interests/income, other research grants, other income etc.

Please contact us if you would like any information about the research governance arrangements.

Yours sincerely

Stacey Knowles
Research and Development Administrator