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Dear sir or madam,

## Sponsorship Statement

Re: Rapid Intervention with GTN in Hypertensive stroke Trial (RIGHT). Determining the potential of ambulance-based randomised controlled trials in patients with hyperacute stroke; assessment of glyceryl trinitrate in lowering blood pressure.

I can confirm that this research proposal has been discussed with the Chief Investigator and agreement to sponsor the research is in place.

An appropriate process of scientific critique has demonstrated that this research proposal is worthwhile and of high scientific quality.\*

Any necessary indemnity or insurance arrangements will be in place before this research starts. Arrangements will be in place before the study starts for the research team to access resources and support to deliver the research as proposed.

Arrangements to allocate responsibilities for the management, monitoring and reporting of the research will be in place before the research starts.

The duties of sponsors set out in the NHS Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care will be undertaken in relation to this research.\*\*

I authorise the Chief Investigator to act on behalf of the Sponsor in this application.

\* Not applicable to student research (except doctoral research).

\*\* Not applicable to research outside the scope of the Research Governance Framework.

Yours faithfully

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