

01 June 2020

Prof Panjasaram Naidoo (5632)  
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Dear Prof Naidoo,

Protocol reference number: BREC/00001310/2020

Project title: Knowledge and Perceptions of Health Science students attending University in KwaZulu Natal to COVID 19

Degree Purposes: BPharm (4<sup>th</sup> year students' research project)

#### EXPEDITED APPLICATION: APPROVAL LETTER

A sub-committee of the Biomedical Research Ethics Committee has considered and noted your application.

The conditions have been met and the study is given full ethics approval and may begin as from 01 June 2020. Please ensure that outstanding site permissions are obtained and forwarded to BREC for approval before commencing research at a site.

**This approval is subject to national and UKZN lockdown regulations and the general BREC circular emailed by the Research Office on 23rd March 2020 and repeatedly since.**

This approval is valid for one year from 01 June 2020. To ensure uninterrupted approval of this study beyond the approval expiry date, an application for recertification must be submitted to BREC on the appropriate BREC form 2-3 months before the expiry date.

Any amendments to this study, unless urgently required to ensure safety of participants, must be approved by BREC prior to implementation.

Your acceptance of this approval denotes your compliance with South African National Research Ethics Guidelines (2015), South African National Good Clinical Practice Guidelines (2006) (if applicable) and with UKZN BREC ethics requirements as contained in the UKZN BREC Terms of Reference and Standard Operating Procedures, all available at <http://research.ukzn.ac.za/Research-Ethics/Biomedical-Research-Ethics.aspx>.

BREC is registered with the South African National Health Research Ethics Council (REC-290408-009). BREC has US Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) Federal-wide Assurance (FWA 678).

The sub-committee's decision will be noted by a full Committee at its next meeting taking place on 14 July 2020.

Yours sincerely



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Chair: Biomedical Research Ethics Committee

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