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Dear Prof Fourie

## A guidance framework for assessment practices with reference to classmark requirements in first-year accounting

PRP: Prof H Fourie PI: Mr T Jagwanth

The above-entitled application served at the Research Ethics Committee (Human) for approval. The ethics clearance reference number for this study is [1489] and approval is subject to the following

- 1. Approval for data collection is for  $\underline{\text{1 calendar year}}$  as indicated above.
- 2. Approval is given on condition that gatekeeper permission is obtained in writing and in the case of a cross-border study, that country-level ethics committee approval is obtained in writing before data collection can commence. The signed copies must be available to REC-H if requested and must be uploaded to the project on receipt thereof.
- 3. The submission of an annual progress report on the data collection activities of the study. This report must be submitted within one year of the date of this approval letter. At such time, an extension of data collection activities may be requested. Only two extensions may be permitted per application, thereafter a new application will need to be submitted for approval.

  4. In the event of any changes made to the study (excluding extension of the study), an amendment request must be submitted PRIOR to the implementation of any such changes.
- 5. Immediate submission (and possible discontinuation of the study in the case of serious events) of the relevant report to RECH in the event of any unanticipated problems, serious incidents or adverse events observed during the course of the study.
- 6. Immediate submission of a Study Closure Report upon expected or unexpected closure/termination of study.
- 7. Immediate submission of a Study Exception Report in the event of any study deviations, violations and/or exceptions.
- 8. Acknowledgement that the study could be subjected to passive and/or active monitoring without prior notice at the discretion of Research Ethics Committee (Human).

Please quote the ethics clearance reference number [1489] in all correspondence and enquiries related to the study. For speedy processing of email queries (to be directed to MEOS@mandela.ac.za), it is recommended that the ethics clearance reference number together with an indication of the query appear in the subject line of the email.

We wish you well with the study.

Yours sincerely

Dr Dalray Gradidge

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