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Dr Emma Readman Consultant Gynaecologist/ Endosurgery Mercy Hospital for Women 163 Studley Road Heidelberg, VIC 3084.

Dear Dr Readman

R09/05: Endometrial nerve fibres in endometriosis and their response to surgical and hormonal therapy. A prospective randomised controlled trial.

I am pleased to advise that your amendments have been considered by members of the Human Research Ethics Committee Expedited Review Working Party and have been granted approval.

This approval is effective immediately and enables you to continue the study. In particular, the following documentation is approved for use:

Protocol	Dated 18.06.09	
Participant Information & Consent Form	Version 2 Dated 18.06.09	

The full Human Research Ethics Committee will be advised of the amendments at its next meeting to be held August 4 2009. You will receive a formal letter of approval from the Board following its September 1 2009 meeting.

In accordance with the NHMRC National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007), approval is subject to:

- Immediate notification to the Administrative Officer, Human Research Ethics Committee and sponsor, of any serious adverse effects on participants;
- Immediate notification of any unforeseen events that may affect the continuing ethical acceptability of the project;
- Notification and reasons for ceasing the project prior to its expected date of completion;
- The completion of a progress report annually for the duration of the project;
- Human Research Ethics Committee approval of any proposed modifications to the project;
- The submission of a final report and papers published on completion of the project.

Please also note:

- Consent Forms must be available for audit by the Human Research Ethics Committee and retained for the period required by law;
- The Principal Investigator upon leaving the Institution must inform the Human Research Ethics Committee as to the nominated person to replace him/her.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 8458 4808. Yours sincerely,

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Administrative Officer, Mercy Health Human Research Ethics Committee cc. Dr Kate McIlwaine, MHW.