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Dear Mrs Donovan

Study title: Trust-based survey on inpatients in acute NHS hospitals
REC reference: 01/8/090
Amendment number: N/A
Amendment date: 16 August 2010

The above amendment was reviewed at the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 24 August 2010.

Ethical opinion

Favourable Opinion

The amendment (dated 16 August 2010) sought approval to re-run the survey of adult inpatients in autumn 2010. In addition the amendment informed the REC that there had been a change of Chief Investigator from Caroline Powell to Sally Donovan.

It was noted that no changes had been made to the core questionnaire or question bank.

The Sub-Committee identified no ethical issues with the proposed amendment.

The members of the Committee taking part in the review gave a favourable ethical opinion of the amendment on the basis described in the notice of amendment form and supporting documentation.

Approved documents

The documents reviewed and approved at the meeting were:

Document	Version	Date
Notice of Substantial Amendment (non-CTIMPs)		16 August 2010
Summary of Changes	v1	13 August 2010
First Mailing Letter	v1	13 August 2010
First Mailing Letter - Alternate Version	v1	13 August 2010

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First Reminder Letter	v1	13 August 2010
Second Reminder Letter - Alternate Version	v1	13 August 2010
Second Reminder Letter	v1	13 August 2010
Questionnaire: Inpatient Survey - Core Questionnaire - with tracked changes	v1	13 August 2010
Inpatient Survey - Question Bank - with tracked changes	v1	13 August 2010
Questionnaire: Inpatient Survey - Question Bank	v1	13 August 2010
Questionnaire: Inpatient Survey - Core Questionnaire	v1	13 August 2010
Investigator CV: For Sally Donovan		13 August 2010

Membership of the Committee

The members of the Committee who took part in the review are listed on the attached sheet.

R&D approval

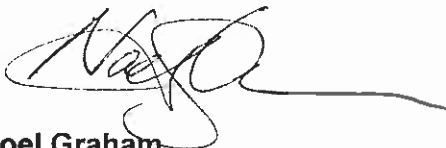
All investigators and research collaborators in the NHS should notify the R&D office for the relevant NHS care organisation of this amendment and check whether it affects R&D approval of the research.

Statement of compliance

The Committee is constituted in accordance with the Governance Arrangements for Research Ethics Committees (July 2001) and complies fully with the Standard Operating Procedures for Research Ethics Committees in the UK.

01/8/090:	Please quote this number on all correspondence
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Yours sincerely



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Enclosures: List of names and professions of members who took part in the review

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Attendance at Sub-Committee of the REC meeting on 24 August 2010

Present:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Profession</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Mr Stephen Edgar	Designer	Yes	Lay
Professor Ravi S Gulati	Consultant Physician	Yes	Expert
Dr Tim S Sprosen (Vice-Chair)	Chief Scientific Officer – UK Biobank	Yes	Expert

In attendance:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Reason for Attending</i>
Mr Noel Graham	Committee Co-ordinator