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**Queensland Health** 

Adjunct Professor Peter Baade Cancer Council Queensland PO Box 201 SPRING HILL QLD 4004

Dear Adjunct Professor Baade

Research Title: Understanding geographical variations in breast cancer vulnerability in Queensland using linked administrative health datasets: a proof-of-concept study

HREC / Project Number: 4884 (QUT)

I am writing to inform you that, having considered your application, which was received 14 March 2022 and revised application received 15 June 2022 and additional information received 13 October 2022, under section 282 of the *Public Health Act 2005* (the Act) to be given health information held by a health agency specified below (Information) for research in relation to the project listed above, your application has been granted under section 284 of the Act by the Director-General's delegate. Consequently, the Information can be given to the persons specified below, providing they act in accordance with Part 4 of the Act and within the limits detailed in your now granted application and this letter.

This grant (PHA 4884) commences on the date of this letter and is for the information described and date range stated in the approved application. It is valid for the period of the Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) approval in place for this project and expires at the end of that period (i.e. 13 January 2027).

This grant relates to information from the following repositories for the periods listed:

- BreastScreen Queensland (Dataset A) from 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2021
- Queensland Cancer Registry (Dataset B) from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2019
- Queensland Hospital Admitted Patient Data Collection (QHAPDC) (Dataset C) from 1 January 2000 to 30 June 2021
- BreastScreen Queensland (Dataset D) from 1 January 1997 to 30 June 2021

The following eight persons may be given the information as noted in the above application:

Name of person	Person's institution
Adjunct Professor Peter Baade	Cancer Council Queensland
Dr Paramita Dasgupta	
Dr Jessica Cameron	
Dr James Retell	
Dr Belinda Goodwin	
Dr Larry Myers	
Distinguished Professor Kerrie Mengersen	Queensland University of Technology
Dr Derrick Lopez	The University of Western Australia

This grant requires you to act in accordance with the provisions of Part 4 of the Act, including adhering to the following conditions:

- a) You must:
  - i. provide notification of any change in the names of persons who will be given the Information for the research specified above;

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- ensure that the Information is kept confidential, is not disclosed (whether directly or indirectly) to persons not named in this letter and is handled securely, including in relation to storage or disposal of the Information;
- iii. protect the privacy of any individual capable of being identified by the Information;
- iv. provide an annual progress report and a final report at the completion of your project, to Health Innovation, Investment and Research Office, Prevention Division. Templates can be found on the web page <a href="http://www.health.gld.gov.au/ohmr/html/regu/aces\_conf\_hth\_info.asp">http://www.health.gld.gov.au/ohmr/html/regu/aces\_conf\_hth\_info.asp</a>; and
- v. provide annually to the PHA office evidence of ongoing HREC approval (Please note: The PHA grant expires on the due date of the annual report to the HREC every year unless the Principal Investigator provides the HIIRO office with evidence of the HREC's receipt of an annual report and subsequent ongoing HREC approval. Failure to do so may result in the grant being rescinded).

## b) You must not:

- i. use the Information in a way that is inconsistent with the research for which it is given as described in the application to which this letter relates; or
- ii. disclose the Information where the disclosure is not permitted by the Act.

Failure to act in accordance with a condition stated above may constitute an offence under the Act for which you may be prosecuted and incur a penalty.

When conducting research within the Queensland public health system, a copy of this letter must be provided to the relevant Research Governance Officer as part of your research governance application in accordance with Queensland Health policies.

<u>Please note</u>: This letter constitutes a grant only for the purposes of Part 4 of the Act. The project cannot proceed until separate Research Governance authorisation has been obtained from the relevant authority in accordance with Queensland Health policies.

Please display this letter and a copy of the application to which this letter relates when requesting the Information from the relevant data custodian.

Should you wish to amend the project protocol, you will need to seek approval of these amendments from the HREC that has ethical oversight of the project **and** submit a new application for a grant to be given for health information held by a health agency in accordance with the provisions of Part 4 of the Act. Amendments include seeking to use the Information in a way, or for an additional research purpose, not listed in the application to which this letter relates or seeking to give the Information for the research to additional persons not named in this letter. Please provide a copy of your HREC approval of the amendments when re-applying.

Please contact the Office of Precision Medicine and Research, Prevention Division on email <a href="mailto:PHA@health.qld.gov.au">PHA@health.qld.gov.au</a> or phone 07 3199 3175 if you have any queries on this matter.

Yours sincerely

The Hooper

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