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HOSPITAL SULTAN HAJI AHMAD SHAH, TEMERLOH

Dear Sir / Mdm,

ETHICS INITIAL APPROVAL: NMRR ID-23-02434-5NB (IIR)

A RETROSPECTIVE STUDY ON REFERRALS TO DIETITIAN: A COMPARISON OF ENTERAL TUBE FEEDING CASES IN HOSPITAL SULTAN HAJI AHMAD SHAH (HOSHAS), TEMERLOH DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC VS PRIOR TO PANDEMIC YEAR

This letter is made in reference to the above matter.

2. The Medical Research and Ethics Committee (MREC), Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH) has provided ethical approval for this study. Please take note that all records and data are to be kept strictly **CONFIDENTIAL** and can only be used for the purpose of this study. All precautions are to be taken to maintain data confidentiality. Permission from the District Health Officer / Hospital Administrator / Hospital Director and all relevant heads of departments / units where the study will be carried out must be obtained prior to the study. You are required to follow and comply with their decision and all other relevant regulations.
3. The investigators and study sites involved in this study are:

HOSPITAL SULTAN HAJI AHMAD SHAH, TEMERLOH

Suriawati Binti Abu Aziz (Principal / Coordinating Investigator)

4. The following study documents have been received and reviewed with reference to the above study:

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1. Study Protocol_Version 1.2, dated 30-August-2023
2. Clinical Report Form / Data Collection Form Version 2, dated 24-August-2023
3. Investigator's documents : Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI), IA-HOD-IA, and CV:
 - a) Suriawati Binti Abu Aziz (Principal / Coordinating Investigator)

5. Please note that ethical approval is valid until **10-October-2024**. The following are to be reported upon receiving ethical approval. Required forms can be obtained from the National Medical Research Register (NMRR) website.
 - i. **Continuing Review Form** has to be submitted to MREC within 2 month (60 days) prior to the expiry of ethical approval.
 - ii. **Study Final Report** upon study completion to the MREC.
 - iii. Ethical approval is required in the case of **amendments / changes** to the **study documents/ study sites/ study team**. MREC reserves the right to withdraw ethical approval if changes to study documents are not completely declared.

6. This study involves the following methods:

- i. **Retrospective**
- ii. **Secondary Data**

7. Please take note that the reference number for this letter must be stated in all correspondence related to this study to facilitate the process.

Comments (if any): **NIL**

Project Sites:

HOSPITAL SULTAN HAJI AHMAD SHAH, TEMERLOH

Decision by Medical Research & Ethics Committee:

- (☒) Approved
- (☐) Disapprove

Date of Approval : **11-October-2023**



DR NURAIN MOHD NOOR

Chairperson
Medical Research & Ethics Committee
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