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Ethics Reference No:	REC1487b
Project Title:	How can pharmacists develop patient-pharmacist communication skills? A realist review- Focus Groups
Researchers Name (lead applicant):	Ms Aisling Kerr (RCSI School of Pharmacy)
Principal investigator on the project	Dr Judith Strawbridge (RCSI School of Pharmacy)
Other Individuals Involved:	Prof Teresa Pawlikowska (RCSI Health Professions Education Centre (HPEC) and Prof Paul Gallagher (RCSI School of Pharmacy)

Dear Ms Kerr,

Thank you for your amendment to Research Ethics Committee (REC) application REC1487. We are pleased to advise that ethical approval has been granted by the committee for this amendment.

Content of Amendment:

- Addition of one patient and one public focus group.

This letter provides approval for data collection for the time requested in your original application and for an additional 6 months to allow for any unexpected delays in proceeding with data collection. Therefore this research ethics approval will expire on **1st April 2019**. Where data collection is necessary beyond this point, approval for an extension must be sought from the Research Ethics Committee.

This ethical approval is given on the understanding that:

- All personnel listed in the approved application have read, understand and are thoroughly familiar with all aspects of the study.
- Any significant change which occurs in connection with this study and/or which may alter its ethical consideration, must be reported immediately to the REC, and an ethical amendment submitted where appropriate.
- **A final report will be submitted to the REC upon completion of the project.**

We wish you all the best with your research.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Niamh Clarke".

PP Dr Niamh Clarke (Convenor)
Dr David Smith (Acting Chair)