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Dear Professor Waters

Thank you for your application of 5 August 2019 in which you request permission to conduct research in Victorian government schools titled *Improving access to treatment for children with anxiety disorders: An Australian Childhood Anxiety Treatment study.*

I am pleased to advise that on the basis of the information you have provided your research proposal is approved in principle subject to the conditions detailed below.

- 1. Department approved research projects currently undergoing a Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) review are required to provide the Department with evidence of the HREC approval once complete.
- 2. The research is conducted in accordance with the final documentation you provided to the Department of Education and Training.
- Separate approval for the research needs to be sought from school principals. This is to be supported by the Department of Education and Training approved documentation and, if applicable, the letter of approval from a relevant and formally constituted Human Research Ethics Committee.
- 4. The project is commenced within 12 months of this approval letter and any extensions or variations to your study, including those requested by an ethics committee must be submitted to the Department of Education and Training for its consideration before you proceed.
- 5. As a matter of courtesy, you advise the relevant Regional Director of the schools that you intend to approach. An outline of your research and a copy of this letter should be provided to the Regional Director or governing body.
- 6. You acknowledge the support of the Department of Education and Training in any publications arising from the research.



7. The Research Agreement conditions, which include the reporting requirements at the conclusion of your study, are upheld. A reminder will be sent for reports not submitted by the study's indicative completion date.

I wish you well with your research. Should you have further questions on this matter, please contact Youla Michaels, Project Support Officer, Insights and Evidence Branch, by telephone on (03) 7022 0306 or by email at michaels.youla.y@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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