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RE: Patients seen at the University Hospital in Johannesburg: their views on Truth-telling

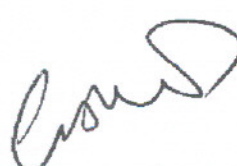
Dear Dr Mofokeng,

I would like to approach your authority for permission to study the group of patients described above without directly interfering in clinical management.

Patients will be requested to voluntarily complete an anonymous questionnaire that will be distributed in outpatient clinics to explore their preferences to know about their diagnostic or not.

The above mentioned study will add no financial cost to the hospital.

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*Approved at
no cost to
hospital 05/05/2008*

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Ms Anisa Keshav
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DATE: 10 June 2008

REF: **R14/49**

The protocol below was considered at a meeting of the Human Research Ethics Committee (Medical) on Friday **30 May 2008**. The Committee requires the following amendments/corrections/information from you before your application can be approved.

**M080565: Patients seen at the University Hospital in Johannesburg ;
their views on truth-telling**

Recommended that Information Sheets and Questionnaire be translated into other African languages as well.

Grammar to be attended to in Information Sheet and Questionnaire.

Please let me have the amendments as soon as possible as protocols on which no action has been taken will be removed from the agenda without approval after two months.

Please highlight any changes made and send one copy to this office.