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Dear Dr Witham

Re: Do the MUST and Birmingham Nutrition Risk Scores predict mortality in older hospitalised patients?

Thank you for your letter of 15 February 2006 with which you enclosed a copy of the protocol in connection with the above.

I have discussed this with the Medical Advisor and we are of the opinion that this does not raise any ethical issues and therefore does not require to be submitted to the Research Ethics Committee. However, we would advise you that you should obtain Caldicott Guardian approval for access to the patients' case notes.

Yours sincerely

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