

Appendix 7: Approval Letter for the Western Cape Department of Health



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For attention: **Ms Megan Candice Marais**

Re: Exploring the factors influencing exclusive breastfeeding within the first 14 weeks postpartum with mothers in the Khayelitsha-Eastern Health District.

Thank you for submitting your proposal to undertake the above-mentioned study. We are pleased to inform you that the department has granted you approval for your research. Please contact the following people to assist you with any further enquiries in accessing the following sites:

Khayelitsha (Site B) CHC

Mr David Binza

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Kindly ensure that the following are adhered to:

1. Arrangements can be made with managers, providing that normal activities at requested facilities are not interrupted.
2. Researchers, in accessing provincial health facilities, are expressing consent to provide the department with an electronic copy of the final feedback (Annexure 9) within six months of completion of research. This can be submitted to the provincial Research Co-ordinator (Health.Research@westerncape.gov.za).
3. In the event where the research project goes beyond the estimated completion date which was submitted, researchers are expected to complete and submit a progress date (**Annexure B**) to the provincial Research Co-ordinator.
4. The reference number above should be quoted in all future correspondence.

Yours sincerely

DR M Moodley
DIRECTOR: HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT
DATE:
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Dr Melvin Moodley
Director: Health Impact Assessment
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