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Research

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Use a descriptive, informative title that succinctly describes the study including the main research idea and the study type

Short Title (if any)

Sometimes referred to as a running title

Study Investigators		
Coordinating Principal Investigator		
Title & name:		
Institution:		
Position:		
Contact email and phone:		
Study Contact Person		
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Contact email and phone:		
Co-Investigator		
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Add as many co-investigators as required

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Background and Rationale

Provide an introduction to the study, including a brief review of the literature, the knowledge gap that the study is proposing to address and how the study will address this.

Aims and Objectives

State the aim/objectives of the research study, the key research questions and clearly defined hypotheses (where appropriate).

Methods

Study Design

Qualitative methods (e.g. action research, focus groups, interviews), quantitative methods (e.g. surveys, case, cohort, cross-sectional, case-control, randomised controlled study)

Study Population (including eligibility/inclusion criteria)

Data sources/collection (including recruitment)

Main study factors and outcomes

Provide information on the main study factors / exposure variables, any relevant covariates and outcome variables, and how they are defined.

Data/Statistical analysis

Provide a description of the statistical methods that will be used including any qualitative methods, and quantitative methods (e.g. t-tests, chi-square tests, linear regression, linear models, generalized linear models).

Sample size and statistical power

Provide a description of the sample size required to address the study aims and objectives, and, for quantitative analyses, please base this on power calculations guiding the sample sizes needed to detect effect sizes (e.g. difference in means) at specified confidence levels (e.g. 95%) and power (e.g. 80%).

Ethical Considerations

Consult the National Statement in Ethical Conduct in Human Research.

Determine the level of risk associated with the proposed activity (inconvenience, discomfort, harm).

If any risks are identified, indicate how they will be mitigated and/or addressed.



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Provide information on how informed consent will be obtained or if a waiver of consent will be requested

Consider whether your study population proposes to include specific participants as outlined in Section 4 of the National Statement and address an ethical consideration specific to them. These include:

- Women who are pregnant and the human fetus
- Children and young people
- people in dependent or unequal relationships
- People highly dependent on medical care who may be unable to give consent
- People with a cognitive impairment, an intellectual disability, or a mental illness
- People who may be involved in illegal activities
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples
- People in other countries

Data Governance

Data collection: specify where data will be collected.

Data transfer & security (if applicable).

Data storage: indicate where and how the data will be stored. Data access: specify how data will be accessed by investigators.

Data retention: specify the period of retention of the data following completion of the project. Data disposal: specify how the information will be destroyed after the retention period.

Outcomes and Significance

Provide information on the potential benefits of the research, highlighting the potential significance of the findings (e.g. to inform future research, policy, planning and/or practice). Provide information on the intended methods of dissemination of the study findings (e.g. internal report, presentation at unit/department/organisation level, publication in peer reviewed journal, presentation at scientific conferences).

References