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Dear Dr. Phillips:

The **Institutional Review Board (IRB)** has reviewed the involvement of humans as research subjects in your study entitled:

"Postoperative Gastric Point of Care Ultrasound (G-POCUS) in Abdominal Surgery: Can G-POCUS Guidance in Clinical Management of Gastrointestinal Recovery Lead to Better Outcomes?" (Thomas Jefferson University(TJU)) iRISID-2022-1082

In accordance with Federal-Wide Assurance #00002109 to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, this study was **approved** for one year by Board #153 on **12/08/2022.**

(X) FULL/NEW

THIS APPROVAL REQUIRES THAT INFORMED CONSENT BE OBTAINED FROM ALL PERSONS PRIOR TO THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE STUDY BY THE USE OF THE LATEST APPROVED CONSENT FORM. EACH SUBJECT MUST RECEIVE A COPY OF THEIR SIGNED CONSENT FORM.

This approval expires on **12/07/2023**, one year from the original approval date, unless suspended or terminated earlier by action of the IRB. At the end of the current approval, a report (Form OHR-9) must be submitted to the IRB summarizing progress on the study during that period. If you wish to continue the study beyond the expiration of this approval, an application for continuation of your study must be submitted to the IRB at least one month prior to the expiration date.

Any injury and/or unanticipated problem involving risks to the human research subjects not included in the written consent form must be reported promptly to the IRB using Form OHR-10 OFF-SITE or the eSAEy on-line reporting system for on-site events. This report should describe the event, evaluate its probable relationship to the experimental treatment received by the subject, and summarize the resulting outcome of the event.

Any proposed change in the protocol or in the written consent form must be submitted via Amendment to the IRB for review and approval before the proposed change can be implemented.

This approval verifies that the IRB operates in accordance with applicable federal, local and institutional regulations that govern IRB operations.

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Sincerely,

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