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Dear Dr Benamore

Pleural Fibromas – Survey of Practice

This letter is to confirm that the proposal for work referenced above has been reviewed by the Joint Research Office study classification group.

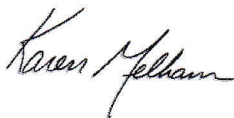
It was determined that the activity described is best understood as a survey of current practice. As such, it is not subject to the Department of Health's *UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care Research* (2017). It requires neither sponsorship nor research ethics review.

This opinion can be reviewed by reference to the HRA's algorithm, available at <http://www.hra-decisiontools.org.uk/research/> and attendant leaflet, *Defining Research*, or by reference to The Health Care Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP)'s *Guide for Clinical Audit, Research and Service review*.

Please be in contact with appropriate offices in the Trusts where you may be undertaking this survey, to make them aware of the work proposed.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Copy to: Ms Jo Franklin, Research Governance Manager, OUH NHS Foundation Trust