

Ethics Feedback - EC.23.02.07.6726R3A4

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Dear Alisha,

The Ethics Committee has considered your revised PG project proposal: Investigating the psychometric properties of the Beliefs about Possessions in Hoarding Disorder (BAP-HD) (aka Beliefs about Possessions) (EC.23.02.07.6726R3A4).

Your project proposal has received a **Favourable Opinion** based on the condition that:

1. The committee recommended keeping the content in section 7 but requested section 4 is amended to "... please see point 7 for some points of contact that may be helpful for you."

Additional approvals

This letter provides an ethical opinion only. You must not start your research project until all appropriate approvals are in place.

Conditions of the favourable opinion

The favourable opinion is subject to the following conditions being met:

- You must retain a copy of this decision letter with your Research records.
- Please note that if any changes are made to the above project then you must notify the Ethics Committee.
- Please use the EC reference number on all future correspondence.
- The Committee must be informed of any unexpected ethical issues or unexpected adverse events that arise during the research project.
- The Committee must be informed when your research project has ended. This notification should be made to psychethics@cardiff.ac.uk within three months of research project completion.
- All data will be retained/processed/destroyed in line with University policy.

Amendments

Any substantial amendments to proposal previously reviewed by the Committee must be submitted to the Committee via psychethics@cardiff.ac.uk for consideration using the PSYCH amendment form and cannot be implemented until the Committee has confirmed it is satisfied with the proposed amendments.

Complaints/Appeals

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by the Committee, please contact psychethics@cardiff.ac.uk in the first instance to discuss your complaint. If this discussion does not resolve the issue, you are entitled to refer the matter to the Head of School for further consideration. The Head of School may refer the matter to the Open Research Integrity and Ethics Committee (ORIEC), where this is appropriate.

Please be advised that ORIEC will not normally interfere with a decision of the Committee and is concerned only with the general principles of natural justice, reasonableness and fairness of the decision.

The Committee reminds you that it is your responsibility to conduct your research project to the highest ethical standards and to keep all ethical issues arising from your research project under regular review.

You are expected to comply with Cardiff University's policies, procedures and guidance at all times, including, but not limited to, its [Policy on the Ethical Conduct of Research Involving](#)

[Human Participants, Human Material or Human Data](#) and our [Research Integrity and Governance Code of Practice](#).

Kind regards,
Deborah

School of Psychology Research Ethics Committee

The 2023/4 list of Full proposal deadlines and [Ethics - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#).

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