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## Notification of IRB Review

**Protocol #: 2020P002447**

Date: July 31, 2020

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From: Partners Human Research  
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Title of Protocol: GlobalSurg-CovidSurg Week: Determining the optimal timing for surgery following SARS-CoV-2 infection

Version/Number:  
Version Date:

IRB Review Type: Expedited

IRB Review Action: Exempt

IRB Approval Date: 07/30/2020

Approval/Activation Date: 07/31/2020

**Next Review: Exempt Check In**

**IRB Expiration Date: 07/30/2023**

The IRB has determined that this project meets the criteria for exemption 45 CFR 46.101(b)(#)

EXEMPTION (4) Secondary research for which consent is not required: Secondary research uses of identifiable private information or identifiable biospecimens, if at least ONE of the following criteria is met:

(iii) The research involves only information collection and analysis involving the investigator's use of identifiable health information when that use is regulated under 45 CFR parts 160 and 164, subparts A and E, for the purposes of "health care operations" or "research" as those terms are defined

**Note: IRB approval of research does NOT constitute final approval to conduct the research. Human subjects research must be conducted in accordance with MGB's Expansion Plan of Clinical Research.**

### Research-Related Use of Health Medical Records

As Principal Investigator, you are responsible for the following:



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1. Ensuring that this project is conducted in compliance with this determination.
2. Ensuring that all study staff have completed the required human research education requirements through the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI).
3. Submission of significant proposed changes to this project to ensure that the project continues to meet the criteria for exemption.
4. Submission of Exempt Check-In every 3 years as required by institutional policy.

Questions related to this project may be directed to **Fausta Figueroa** | **Tel: 857-282-1909** | **Email: FFIGUEROA@PARTNERS.ORG**

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