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RE: Confirmation that the CovidSurg-3 is non-profit

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to confirm that “CovidSurg-3: Outcomes of surgery in COVID-19 infection” is an observational study that does not require any changes to be made to normal patient pathways. No additional patient follow-up is required for this study and patients should have clinical follow-up as per normal practice at their hospital.

The study is coordinated by the NIHR Global Health Research Unit on Global Surgery, a research unit of the University of Birmingham, a public research university in the United Kingdom. The study is an investigator-led, **non-profit**, observational non-interventional international cohort study. It is not aimed at developing any device/drug. No funds will be transferred to collaborators or participating hospitals.

Yours faithfully,



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On behalf of the CovidSurg-3 steering group

