## Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW

**HREC Extension Policy** 



## **Background**

The AH&MRC Human Research Ethics Committee (the HREC) reviews proposals to conduct Human Research in accordance with the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007 updated 2018) and the Ethical Conduct in Research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and Communities: Guidelines for researchers and stakeholders (2018). These National Guidelines provide a framework for a thorough review of applications for HREC approval.

## **Extension Policy**

Extensions could apply to projects already approved, or to applications under consideration

- When applying for an extension please include how you have attempted to address the Request for Further Information.
- The applicant must submit an extension request in writing to the AH&MRC HREC.
- The extension request will be reviewed by the assigned reviewers and or the Co-chairs if required.
- If extension request is approved, the secretariat will provide a date to which the applicant must return all documentation by.
- The reviewer/s must receive all relevant documents by the approved extension date, if not, the application will be withdrawn and a new application will need to be submitted for review. Please note, the decisions made by the HREC are final
- Please be aware that extensions are not routinely done
- Without a request for an application extension, your application will be declined.

**Please note:** Until full ethics approval is given, research can not commence.

If you are seeking further information regarding this statement, please contact the Ethics

Secretariat at ethics@ahmrc.org.au