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Dear Bob

Re: HTA trial - Reminiscence therapy in dementia

Thank you for contacting me about the above project.

With regard to adoption of the project by DeNDRoN, the Network cannot fully commit to supporting studies at this early stage and prior to review by an adoption panel. However, the study would be adopted by DeNDRoN if it met the following criteria:

- Funding by the study has been awarded in national open competition
- The study is designed for patient benefit
- There are no significant issues with the population studied
- There are no methodological issues that may impact upon recruitment
- The study has gained appropriate Ethics Committee approval

With regard to your specific comment about working with Clinical Studies Group (CSG), we are, as you know, going to look in detail at specific projects. As chair of the group, I can assure you that we would ensure that members of the CSG worked closely with you on the project.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Alistair Burns'.

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