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To whom it may concern

We wish to advise support and endorsement of the following:

Study title: PANORAMA: PancReatitis Outcomes And Management

An Aotearoa-New Zealand multi-centre, prospective cohort study of acute pancreatitis management and outcomes.

Study Objective: To measure adherence to audit standards (quality performance indicators) of the early (<72 hours) management of acute pancreatitis (AP) in Aotearoa-New Zealand (AoNZ).

In the absence of any previous AoNZ data, this study will demonstrate any potential excess morbidity associated with noncompliance to best evidence driven clinical practice. Data collected can be used to standardise and optimise care nationally to create more equitable outcomes for Māori patients given Dr Joseph reports:

“Previous research has shown that Māori have significantly higher rates of AP and diabetes mellitus following acute pancreatitis than non-Māori.”¹

While ethnicity data is being collected, the modest sample size and the study design can limit the validity of any ethnicity conclusions. Nevertheless, findings will be shared and discussed with local Māori research stakeholders.

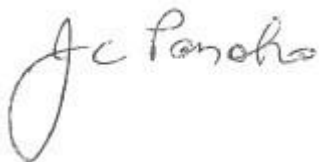
Data Collection period: 2024

Primary Contacts: Dr Nejo Joseph, Professor John Windsor

In consideration of Te Ara Tika guidelines, Dr Joseph has sought the support of Professor Jonathan Koea (Te Āti Awa) who is a member of his Scientific Advisory Group. In addition to specific collaboration with Professor Koea, Dr Joseph has also consulted with myself in my capacity as Chair, Aotearoa Research Ethics Committee and in my (previous) capacity as Locality Advisor, Te Poutokomanawa (Māori Health Directorate), Te Whatu Ora – Te Tai Tokerau.

We wish the team well in this research endeavor and await the results of the project.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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¹ PANORAMA Study Protocol v1.1.0 (p.19)

