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Hi Laura

Yes no problem, the RAS Team is correct that if there is no funding attached to the study then a SoECAT is not required as the purpose of the SoECAT is to determine site level costs such as ETCs and Service Support Costs.

Would the study still be considered as research even though it's a quality improvement project? If you're not sure you can use the HRA decision tool to determine whether it is research or not https://www.hra.nhs.uk/approvals-amendments/what-approvals-do-i-need/

If it is classed as research and you need HRA approval then yes an OID would probably be needed.

Please let me know if you have any further queries but note that I'm on leave until 2nd April so if your query is urgent then please contact studysupport.crnwestmidlands@nihr.ac.uk

Thanks and best wishes

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On Thu, 21 Mar 2024 at 16:38, Laura Magill <e.l.magill@bham.ac.uk> wrote:

> Dear Helen,
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> Can I please pick your brain?
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> I have been advised by UHB RAS team that for a new project where there is no funding attached, that we do not need a SoECAT. Is that correct?
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> The study is also considered a quality improvement project, so although it does not need to go through NRES ethics, it is still being submitted for HRA approval.
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> Do we need only an OID in that case?
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> Many thanks
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> Laura

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