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## Appendix-B



### Human Subjects Institutional Review Board

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### Office of Sponsored Programs

Ms. Carla Howell, Director

December 3, 2015

Dear Julie Gayle,

Your research proposal, *Improving Specialty Care Access to the Uninsured: A Nurse-Led Initiative (A Quality-Improvement Project)* (application number 11.15.017), warrants the Exemption from Review Status. You have permission from the IRB to begin your study.

This decision is based on your justification that the application includes "Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, or interview procedures or observation of public behavior." And, "Research involving the collection of existing data, documents, records, pathological specimens, or diagnostic specimens, if these sources are publicly available or if the information is recorded by the investigator in such a manner that the subjects cannot be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects." (Northwestern State University Human Subjects Institutional Review Board Exemption from Review Application).

If any adverse events occur as part of your study, report them to the Office of Sponsored Programs immediately. Please be aware that all data and records from this project must be maintained securely for five years. Also, you must submit a summary report on the project to the Human Subjects Institutional Review Board within six weeks of the completion date stated on the first page of your IRB application.

Good luck with your research.

Sincerely,

Dr. Michelle Morris  
Human Subjects IRB Chair