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Dear Audit Officer,

Re: RAPIDO audit of reversal of anticoagulation

I am writing to ask if your Trust can participate in this national audit, led by HaemSTAR, a national network of trainees promoting research in non-malignant haematology.

The senior investigator is Dr Pip Nicolson, Clinical Lecturer at the University of Birmingham and data management is coordinated by the University of Birmingham.

This is a nationwide audit designed assess the use of high-cost medicines that are frequently used to treat patients taking anticoagulants who are admitted to hospital with major bleeding. The audit aims to open in over 40 sites across the UK, including academic and non-academic centres. We expect that each site will contribute between 25 and 100 cases during two data collection windows which will involve collecting data on treatment episodes between October 2020 and October 2023. Data will be collected predominantly by haematology registrars and other clinical staff all of whom will be recognised as citable collaborators in the research.

Submitted data will be stored online through a secure and encrypted server running the Research Electronic Data Capture (REDCap) web application hosted by the University of Birmingham. Patient outcomes will only be published/presented collectively, and no individual patient will be identifiable within the results analysis. Results from specific hospitals will not be disclosed within any public presentation of results.

I sincerely hope that the information provided is sufficient and I am excited for your organisation to be involved with this project. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me: richard.buka@nhs.net.

Yours faithfully

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