



29th January 2009

Professor Philip Bath **Division of Stroke Medicine** University of Nottingham City Hospital campus **Hucknall Road** Nottingham NG5 1PB

Dear Professor Bath.

Ref: TSA 2008/09

Title: Prevention of Decline in Cognition After Stroke Trial (PODCAST): a factorial randomised controlled trial of blood pressure and lipid lowering

The Stroke Association is pleased to confirm that this application has been approved for funding. The award of £399,145 (co-funded by The Stroke Association and Alzheimer's Society) over a period of 36 months has been agreed. The allocated reference code TSA 2008/09, should be guoted in all correspondence.

The grant will cover staff costs and other expenses as set out in your proposal. Copies of itemised supplier invoices/receipts should be supplied with all invoices for equipment purchases. Payment will be made on a quarterly basis against in arrears against invoices received from your finance department. In order to facilitate payment, please ensure that invoices are promptly sent.

The grant will be administered in accordance with the enclosed Conditions of Awards. However, you should be aware that as part of the Alzheimer's Society Quality Research in Dementia (QRD) Programme the progress of your project may also be monitored by a local committee, with three members drawn from the QRD Consumer Network. These committees monitor each project at 6-12 month intervals and provide ongoing independent progress reports.

In addition, an interim progress report is to be received by The Stroke Association six months after the start date, further progress reports are required after year one and year two and a final report within three months of the end of the project. Failure to send reports at the correct time may result in the termination of the grant. Continuation of funding is subject to satisfactory progress.



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The Association must be notified immediately of any problems or difficulties that arise during the course of the project, which may impede a satisfactory conclusion being reached.

In line with the NHS Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care it is necessary for all research carried out in England involving humans or human tissue to have a sponsor that accepts the sponsor responsibilities as defined by this framework. The Stroke Association is not able to sponsor the work it funds. It is therefore necessary for the appropriate NHS Trust or institution to take on these responsibilities.

In order to maintain and increase donations to the Association to fund future research as much favourable publicity as possible needs to be generated. By accepting this award you are agreeing to help promote awareness of The Stroke Association and its aims wherever possible as detailed in section 9 of the Project Grant Conditions of Awards. Research funded by this award may be published in the usual way, subject to the following requirements:

- The financial support of The Stroke Association must be acknowledged.
- Two copies of any paper/poster based on the research funded by this award should be sent in <u>advance</u> to The Stroke Association Research Department, indicating the publication date of the journal concerned or the conference at which the information will be displayed. A layman's synopsis of the work should also be provided.

The Stroke Association will be solely responsible for the administration of this grant. To accept this award please complete and return the enclosed Award Acceptance form which should include a proposed start date for the award and be signed by the Lead Applicant, Head of Department, Finance Department and Sponsor representative if required.

Should you have any queries regarding your award please do not hesitate to contact The Stroke Association Research Department.

Yours sincerely

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