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## RE: Human Research Subject Protections Under Multiple Project Assurance M-1302 and Federalwide Assurances FWA-2505

<u>Research Project</u>: Pram 2 – A Phase I/II Randomized Multicenter Protocol Comparing Four Antiretroviral Regimens Containing Combinations of Protease Inhibitors, NRTIs and NNRTI <u>Project Number</u>: ACTG #377 <u>Principal Investigator</u>: Dr. Savita Pahwa

**<u>Research Project</u>**: Phase I Safety Trial: A Placebo-Controlled, Phase I Clinical Trial to Evaluate the Safety and Immunogenicity of Recombinant Envelope Proteins of HIV-1 gp160 and gp120 in Children ≥1Month Old with Asymptomatic HIV Infection Project Number: ACTG #218

<u>Research Project</u>: Phase I/II Study: Ritonavir Therapy in HIV-I Infected Infants and Children <u>Project Number</u>: ACTG #345 <u>Principal Investigator</u>: Dr. Savita Pahwa

Dear Mr. Dowling:

The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) has reviewed the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System's (NSLIJHS) July 20, 2005 response to OHRP's June 13, 2005 letter regarding indications of possible noncompliance with Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regulations for the protection of human research subjects (45 CFR part 46) involving the above-referenced research.

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Based upon its review, OHRP finds that NSLIJHS has addressed the concerns raised in OHRP's June 13, 2005 letter. In particular, OHRP notes the NSLIJHS report stated that ACTG #218 was not conducted at your institution, ACTG #345 did not include wards of the state, and ACTG #377 included wards of the state but was determined by the institutional review board at its November 20, 1997 meeting to fall under HHS regulations at 45 CFR 46.405. As a result, there should be no need for further involvement of OHRP in this matter.

OHRP appreciates the continued commitment of your institution to the protection of human research subjects. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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