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Dear REC Applicant

RESEARCH IN THE WESTERN CAPE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Please note that all requests for undertaking research in the Department are subject to approval of its Research Ethics Committee (REC) and must comply with the legal, ethical and policy requirements guiding the work of the Committee.

Before submitting your application, please consult the following policies:

1. The Department's **Research Ethics Policy** that can be obtained at:
<https://www.westerncape.gov.za/service/research-ethics-committee>
2. The Department's **Promotion of Access to Information Manual** that can be obtained at:
<https://www.westerncape.gov.za/general-publication/access-information-department-social-development-section-14-manual>

While the Department recognises the importance of research in improving its understanding of the social and service delivery challenges facing the Western Cape, it may not be able to accommodate your request due to service delivery pressure and operational constraints.

Yours sincerely

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Chairperson: Research Ethics Committee

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