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This project obtained approval by the ERC on 13.05.2019. The complete documentation requesting approval of amendments was submitted to the Secretariat on 31/07/2019. The outcome of review is provided below.

1. Among the screening tools to be applied to the study population, the Paediatric Symptoms Checklist 17 is to be used. Scoring 12+ is an inclusion criterion as per the approved protocol. The team is proposing to use the international standard of 15 and not the proposed of 12 as the cut-off. The reason alluded by the study team is that “Although the validation study was conducted with an ostensibly similar population of adolescent Syrians, it was decided that data from this group may not reflect the Syrian refugee population in Amman who are living in urban settings, as compared to informal settlements in Lebanon”.

It was considered that the change proposed will not alter the risk:benefit ratio for participants. Protocol Version 4.5 Dated 31.07.2019 is approved as submitted.

Chairperson

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