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Subject: Ethical approval I-MOVE-COVID-19 project

Nivel, the Netherlands institute for health services research, participates in the project “I-MOVE-COVID-19 Multidisciplinary European network for research, prevention and control of the COVID-19 pandemic” funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 101003673.

Nivel will contribute to this project, using data from Nivel Primary Care Database. This database holds routinely recorded, pseudonymised health data from general practices and other care providers.

Nivel confirms that 5.1.2e has been appointed. The 5.1.2e contact details are 5.1.2e (e-mail: 5.1.2e@nivel.nl).

Our institution complies with GDPR.

The use of electronic health records for research purposes is allowed under certain conditions. When these conditions are fulfilled, neither obtaining informed consent from patients nor approval by a medical ethics committee is obligatory for this type of observational studies containing no directly identifiable data (art. 24 GDPR Implementation Act jo art. 9.2 sub j GDPR).

Through the present statement I hereby confirm that the research by Nivel for I-MOVE-COVID-19, using data from Nivel Primary Care Database, does not require ethical approval according to the Dutch Medical Research Involving Human Subjects Act.

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