



OFFICE OF RESEARCH COMPLIANCE

June 29, 2010

Dr. Myriam Torres
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Re: **Pro00003639**
Study entitled: *Empowering Latinas to Lash-Out Against AIDS*
Continuing Review Number: **CR00002015**

Dear Dr. Torres:

The referenced study was reviewed and approved for continuation by the University of South Carolina Institutional Review Board (IRB) by Expedited review on 6/29/2010 (category 7).

Approval is for a one-year period from **6/29/2010 to 6/28/2011**. Approved consent documents, if applicable, are located under the "Stamped ICF" tab on the Study Workspace in eIRB.

University of South Carolina Assurance number: FWA 00000404 / IRB Registration number: 00000240

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING APPROVAL CONDITIONS

- The research must be conducted according to the proposal/protocol that was approved by the IRB.
- Changes to the procedures, recruitment materials, or consent document must be approved by the IRB prior to implementation.
- *If applicable*, each subject should receive a copy of the an approved dated consent document
- It is the responsibility of the principal investigator to report promptly to the IRB:
 - Unanticipated problems and/or unexpected risks to subjects
 - Adverse events effecting the rights or welfare of any human subject participating in the project
- Research records, including signed consent documents, must be retained for at least three years after the termination of the last IRB approval.
- No subjects may be involved in any study procedure prior to the IRB approval date, or after the expiration date. For continuing research, an update of the study is required prior to the expiration date. The PI is responsible for initiating the Continuing Review process. At the time a study is terminated (closed), a final report should be submitted to the IRB.

If you have questions concerning the approval process, please contact Arlene McWhorter at arlenem@mailbox.sc.edu or (803) 777-7095.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Coggins

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Director