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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am currently reading for a PhD research, with Salford University. The title for my research is: 'Optimisation of breast cancer screening for women having dense breasts'. The aim of the current phase of the study is to explore the knowledge and experience of supplementary screening in women with dense breasts across European breast cancer screening clinical managers and to explore the understanding of the challenges and requirements to implement supplementary screening amongst breast cancer screening clinical managers.

To be able to achieve this aim interviews will be conducted to inform the researcher about the awareness of the European Breast Guidelines and the understanding and experience of supplementary imaging. The interviews will also identify, if any, predictors of implementing supplementary screening amongst European countries, investigate challenges and barriers to implement supplementary screening and explore the views of European breast cancer screening clinical managers on the women's perception towards supplementary screening. The target participants needed for this phase of this study consists of clinical directors, consultant radiologists and consultant radiographers in charge of organised breast cancer screening units from different European countries.

Ethical approval for this phase of the study was obtained by the University of Salford School of Health and Society Research Ethics. Participation in this study is voluntary and will involve a semi-structured face-to-face interview that will take place in a mutually agreed upon location. The interview will take approximately 1 hour. All the information you provide will remain anonymous throughout the study and will be treated with the maximum confidentiality.

Based on the above, if you would like to participate in this study please contact me via email or telephone. I thank you in advance for considering my study and should you require any further information regarding this research please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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