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**Your study would NOT be considered Research by the NHS.**

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**Note: Post Market Surveillance** is NOT usually considered research. However, there are some circumstances where an NHS REC approval may be required. See **HRA guidance**. Please follow link below to start again and select **YES** at the first question to determine if your post market surveillance requires NHS REC approval.

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