*This template is intended for creating* the Informed Consent Form for your research.

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**INFORMED CONSENT FORM**

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| **Project Title** | [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR] | |
| **Purpose of the Study** | This research is being conducted [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. I am inviting you to participate in this research project about [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. The purpose of this research project is [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. | |
| **Procedures** | You will participate in an interview lasting approximately [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. You will be asked questions about [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. Sample questions include: “[COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]”.  You must be at least 18 years old [ADDITIONALLY, WHERE APPROPRIATE OTHER CONDITIONS, COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. | |
| **Potential Risks and Discomforts** | There are no obvious physical, legal or economic risks associated with participating in this study. You do not have to answer any questions you do not wish to answer. Your participation is voluntary and you are free to discontinue your participation at any time. | |
| **Potential Benefits** | Participation in this study does not guarantee any beneficial results to you. As a result of participating you may better understand [Verder in te vullen door onderzoeker, indien van toepassing].  The broader goal of this research is to [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. | |
| **Confidentiality** | Your privacy will be protected to the maximum extent allowable by law. No personally identifiable information will be reported in any research product. Moreover, only trained research staff will have access to your responses. Within these restrictions, results of this study will be made available to you upon request.  As indicated above, this research project involves making audio recordings of interviews with you. Transcribed segments from the audio recordings may be used in published forms (e.g., journal articles and book chapters). In the case of publication, pseudonyms will be used. The audio recordings, forms, and other documents created or collected as part of this study will be stored in a secure location in the researchers’ offices or on the researchers password-protected computers and will be destroyed within ten years of the initiation of the study. | |
| **Compensation** | *[COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]* | |
| **Right to Withdraw and Questions** | Your participation in this research is completely voluntary. You may choose not to take part at all. If you decide to participate in this research, you may stop participating at any time. If you decide not to participate in this study or if you stop participating at any time, you will not be penalised or lose any benefits to which you otherwise qualify. The data you provided before you stopped participating however will be processed in this research; no new data will be collected or used.  If you decide to stop taking part in the study, if you have questions, concerns, or complaints, or if you need to report an injury related to the research, please contact the primary investigator:  [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR] | |
| **Statement of Consent** | Your signature indicates that you are at least 18 years of age; you have read this consent form or have had it read to you; your questions have been answered to your satisfaction and you voluntarily agree that you will participate in this research study. You will receive a copy of this signed consent form.  I agree to participate in a research project led by [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. The purpose of this document is to specify the terms of my participation in the project through being interviewed.  1. I have been given sufficient information about this research project. The purpose of my participation as an interviewee in this project has been explained to me and is clear.  2. My participation as an interviewee in this project is voluntary. There is no explicit or implicit coercion whatsoever to participate.  3. Participation involves being interviewed by (a) researcher(s) from the [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]. The interview will last approximately [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR] minutes. I allow the researcher(s) to take written notes during the interview. I also may allow the recording (by audio/video tape) of the interview. It is clear to me that in case I do not want the interview to be taped I am at any point of time fully entitled to withdraw from participation. | |
|  | 4. I have the right not to answer any of the questions. If I feel uncomfortable in any way during the interview session, I have the right to withdraw from the interview.  5. I have been given the explicit guarantees that, if I wish so, the researcher will not identify me by name or function in any reports using information obtained from this interview, and that my confidentiality as a participant in this study will remain secure. In all cases subsequent uses of records and data will be subject to standard data use policies at the EU (Data Protection Policy).  6. I have been given the guarantee that this research project has been reviewed and approved by [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR] and by the EU Ethics Committee. For research problems or any other question regarding the research project, the EU Ethics Committee may be contacted through [information of the contact person at the Ethics Committee at EU [COMPLETION BY PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR]].  7. I have read and understood the points and statements of this form. I have had all my questions answered to my satisfaction, and I voluntarily agree to participate in this study.  8. I have been given a copy of this consent form co-signed by the interviewer. | |
| **Signature and Date** | **NAME PARTICIPANT** | **NAME PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR** |
| **SIGNATURE** | **SIGNATURE** |
| **DATE** | **DATE** |