

Letter of Information

Study title: Understanding the Impacts of ADHD Stigma on Self-Determination and Well-Being

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1. Purpose of Study

You are invited to participate in a research study because you are a 16-18 student with ADHD in Ontario. The purpose of this study is to further understand how student's understanding of ADHD stigma impacts their self-determination and overall well-being.

This consent form provides information to help you make an informed choice. This consent form provides information to help you make an informed decision to participate. This study has received ethical approval from the Queen's University General Research Ethics Board (GREB).

2. Participation

Participation is voluntary, and you can decline to participate in any aspect of the research at any time. In this study, you will complete a one-hour interview with the PI. If you agree to take part, you will partake in a one-hour interview with me (Haley Clark). The interview can be conducted online through Zoom, over the phone, or at a mutually agreeable location at the discretion of the participant. The interview will be audio-recorded with your consent.

Your participation is voluntary, and you can decline to participate in any aspect of the research without penalty. You do not need to answer any question you don't want to, and you can choose to withdraw from this study for 14 days after participation without providing a reason. Whatever choice you make you will not give up any legal rights or benefits. There are no conflicts of interest to declare related to this study.

3. Risks and Benefits

You may experience some risk during your participation in this study. The known risks are listed below, however there may be other unexpected risks that are not known.

- Privacy risk- While conducting research online there is always a privacy risk even while using secure platforms such as Zoom and OneDrive. Minimal risk.
- Psychological risk- some personal questions about your ADHD that could be sensitive. Minimal risk.

- Questions about sensitive or personal issues- Some of the questions about your well-being, determination and feelings about their ADHD may be sensitive. Minimal risk.

We will provide online resources if you experience distress.

There are no direct benefits to you for taking part in this study. We hope that the results of this study may benefit students with ADHD in the future and educators in the field. You will receive an electronic \$15 Everything Card for your participation in the study. You will still receive the compensation if you withdrawal from the study.

4. Confidentiality

All the information collected during the research study will remain strictly confidential to the extent permitted by the applicable laws. If you decide to participate in this study, the research team will only collect the information needed.

The following information will be collected for this study:

- First and Last name
- Age
- Email

To protect your privacy, you will only be identified in the study documents by a master linking log participant ID. The master log linking your name and email to your participant ID will be stored separately from other study data and will only be accessed by the research team.

The study data will be stored:

- Queen's Secure OneDrive
- Only accessed on password protected encrypted laptops

Upon study completion, all data used to develop the study results for publication will continue to be kept in a secure and encrypted location accessible only to the PI(s)/study team for 5 years as per Queen's data retention policy. All other data will be deleted or destroyed. Once the data is no longer required for publication or research purposes, it will be deleted by the PI.

For publication, the data used to generate the study results may need to be reviewed by other researchers as part of the peer-review process. If this is required, only peer-reviewers identified by publications (e.g., academic journals) will be provided with a copy of the data for review purposes only. Once the review is completed, they will no longer have access to the data.

The data custodian of the study data for the duration of this study data is Dr. Jordan Shurr.

There are organizations and their representatives that may look at or receive copies of some of the information in your study records for data analysis and quality assurance for monitoring, control, safety, and security. These may include:

- Members of the study team, as delegated by the principal investigator.
- Authorized Representatives of Queen's University, its affiliated hospitals and/or Queen's University General Research Ethics Board (GREB).

The results of this research study data may be published or shared at conferences however you will not be identified during the dissemination of study results or publication.

5. Contact information

If you have questions about this study or if you suffer a research-related injury, you can contact Haley Clark at 21hmc13@queensu.ca

For ethics concerns please contact the General Research Ethics Board (GREB) at 1-844-535-2988 (Toll free in North America) or email researchethics@queensu.ca Use 1-613-533-2988 if outside North America. Please note that GREB communicates in English only.