

Sample Outline for a Research Consent Form

Title of Study:

Principal Investigator:

Purpose of the Research: The purpose of this study is to (describe the purpose in 2-5 sentences).

Research Activities: If you agree to take part in this study, you will be asked to complete a survey. (Describe the pertinent details about the survey in one sentence.) Survey completion will take about _____ minutes. Information derived from the survey may result in an invitation to participate in an interview lasting _____ minutes. (Briefly describe the pertinent details about the interview and process.)

Risks and Benefits: I believe the risks from participating in this research are (describe even minimal risks like potential discomfort in answering certain questions). You might benefit from being in this study because (describe in a few lines any direct or indirect benefits to your study for the participant).

Confidentiality: (Describe here how the records and names you obtain will be protected.) All data collected will be destroyed in three years.

Anonymity: (Describe here how identifiable information will be protected in any publications or sharing of your study.)

Compensation: (Indicate whether there will be any compensation for participation.)

Contact Information if you have questions or concerns about this research study: You may call the researcher(s) with any concerns or questions about the research.

Principal Investigator:

Faculty Advisor:

If you have questions about your rights as a research participant or wish to obtain information, ask questions, or discuss any concerns about this study with someone other than the researcher(s), you may contact the Concordia University Institutional Research Board (IRB) at irb@concordia.edu.

What if I choose not to participate or decide to withdraw? Taking part in this study is your choice. You may choose not to take part in this study or choose to withdraw your participation at any time or for any reason, without any penalty or loss of benefit to which you are entitled. If you decide to withdraw, the information that you have already provided will not be used, but it will be kept confidential.

If you agree to participate in this study, click 'yes' and proceed with the survey. If you do not agree to participate in this study, click 'no.'

Yes

No

Signature (if required)