

CONSENT FORM FOR ADULTS IN RESEARCH STUDIES

Please complete this form after you have read the Information Sheet and/or listened to an explanation about the research.

Title of Study: An investigation of smartphone accessibility for people with Spinal Cord Injuries

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This study has been approved by the UCL Research Ethics Committee: Project ID number: 6860/013

Thank you for considering taking part in this research. The person organising the research must explain the project to you before you agree to take part. If you have any questions arising from the Information Sheet or explanation already given to you, please ask the researcher before you decide whether to join in. You will be given a copy of this Consent Form to keep and refer to at any time.

I confirm that I understand that by ticking/initialling each box below I am consenting to this element of the study. I understand that it will be assumed that unticked/initialled boxes means that I DO NOT consent to that part of the study. I understand that by not giving consent for any one element that I may be deemed ineligible for the study.

		Tick Box
1.	<p>*I confirm that I have read and understood the Information Sheet for the above study. I have had an opportunity to consider the information and what will be expected of me. I have also had the opportunity to ask questions which have been answered to my satisfaction</p> <p>*I would like to take part in (please tick one or more of the following)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An individual virtual interview - An individual online questionnaire 	
2.	*I understand that I will not be able to withdraw my questionnaire data, because it will be anonymised at source.	
3.	*I understand that I will only be able to withdraw my interview data before transcription takes place (estimated to be within about one week), after which point it will be anonymised and the original recordings will be deleted.	
4.	*I consent to participate in the study. I understand that my personal information, i.e. age, gender, nationality, profession, health status, and living condition will be used for the purposes explained to me. I understand that according to data protection legislation, 'public task' will be the lawful basis for processing.	
5.	<p>Use of the information for this project only</p> <p>*I understand that all personal information will remain confidential and that all efforts will be made to ensure I cannot be identified</p>	



	I understand that my data gathered in this study will be stored anonymously and securely. It will not be possible to identify me in any publications.	
6.	*I understand that my information may be subject to review by responsible individuals from the University (UCL) for monitoring and audit purposes.	
7.	*I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving a reason. I understand that if I decide to withdraw, only interview data can be withdrawn, and this can only be for the period before transcription.	
8.	I understand the potential risks of participating and the support that will be available to me should I become distressed during the course of the research.	
9.	I understand the direct/indirect benefits of participating as explained in the Participant Information Sheet.	
10.	I understand that the data will not be made available to any commercial organisations but is solely the responsibility of the researcher(s) undertaking this study.	
11.	I understand that I will not benefit financially from any possible outcome the study may result in in the future.	
12.	I understand that I have the chance to win a £50 Amazon voucher for completing a questionnaire. In order to enter the draw (this is optional), I will need to provide my email address, which will be stored separately from and will not be linked in any way to my questionnaire responses. My email address will only be used for the prize draw and will be securely deleted after the draw has taken place.	
13.	I understand that if I participate in the interview, I will be compensated with a £15 Amazon voucher.	
14.	I agree that my anonymised research data may be used by others for future research. No one will be able to identify you when this data is shared.	
15.	I understand that the information I have submitted will be published as a report and I wish to receive a copy of it. Yes/No	
16.	I consent to my interview being audio/video recorded and understand that the transcripts will be stored anonymously, using password-protected software and will be used for specific research purposes.	
17.	I hereby confirm that I understand the inclusion criteria as detailed in the Participant Information Sheet and explained to me by the researcher.	
18.	I hereby confirm that: (a) I understand the exclusion criteria as detailed in the Information Sheet and explained to me by the researcher; and (b) I do not fall under the exclusion criteria.	
19.	I am aware of who I should contact if I wish to lodge a complaint.	

20.	I voluntarily agree to take part in this study.	
21.	<p>Personal information for this study will be collected on this consent form while all other data will be fully anonymised and securely stored on the UCL network.</p> <p>I would be happy for the data I provide (including recorded audio/video) to be securely archived on the UCL network.</p> <p>I understand that other authenticated researchers will have access to my anonymised data.</p>	