Note (Remove this text before submitting):

Black text is information that needs to be entered. Red text includes instructions and should be deleted before submitting. Edit this document to accurately reflect your project and relevant IRB requirements. Consult the IRB Coordinator with any questions.

**University of Idaho**

**Research Study Consent Form**

**Study Title:** [Title as listed on IRB application]

**Researchers:** [List names, Credentials, Institutional Affiliation] NOTE: Students should not be listed as a PI and must list their faculty advisor in this role.

For Consent Forms **over** 2,000 words:

As of January 21, 2019 Federal Law requires that informed consent begin with a concise and focused presentation of key study information before being given other information. The goal is that this will assist potential subjects with understanding the reason why one might or might not want to participate in the research.

For Consent Forms **under** 2,000 words:

If the consent form is thorough, the Key Information section may be deleted, so long as the same information is covered elsewhere in the consent form.

**KEY INFORMATION ABOUT THIS STUDY**

* A statement that the project is research and that participation is voluntary
* A brief summary of the study purpose
* Main study activities/procedures
* Reasonable, foreseeable risks or discomforts
* Duration of participation
* Reasonable, expected benefits
* Alternative procedures

**What is the purpose of this study?**

The purpose of the research is [describe the purpose of the study in simple terms]. You are being asked to participate because [state the main reason and/or eligibility criteria; e.g., age, gender, language, etc.] About X people will take part in this research.

**What will I be asked to do if I am in this study?**

If you agree to take part in this study, you will be asked to [provide a detailed description of what the participant will be asked to do in chronological order (what, when, where, how) and what information about the participant will be obtained. Taking part in the study will take about (include the time commitment for each step, the total amount of time involved, and how long the study will last). Indicate where the research will take place (note that additional privacy protections apply to data collected in the European Union). We will tell you about any new information that may affect your willingness to continue participation in this research.

For research involving survey, questionnaires, and/or interviews:

* Describe questionnaires, surveys, and interviews and include examples of the most personal and sensitive questions you will ask.
* State that participants may refuse to answer any question that makes them uncomfortable and they can stop at any time.

If applicable:

* Add a statement that you will be using voice, video, digital or image recordings. Explain how long they will be stored, what they will be used for, if they will be shared with others, if they will be used in presentations or publications, and whether the participant will be able to review and delete portions.
* If your study involves deception, give as much information as possible.
* If more than one group, describe each group and how participants are assigned to a group.

**Are there any benefits to me if I am in this study?**

The potential benefits to you from being in this study include [describe only those that are likely for the research participants]. **OR** Although there is no direct or intended benefit from being in this study, you may help others in the future [insert details if appropriate].

**Are there any risks to me if I am in this study?**

The risks or discomforts of participating in this research include [include information on risks including physical, psychological, emotional, privacy, social or legal risks]. Describe the precautions that are being taken to minimize risks and steps that will be taken if risks occur.

If applicable:

* Include risk of reporting illegal or reportable behavior (abuse, suicide or intent to harm).
* State if there are no funds available for compensation for study related injuries.
* Include risks associated with sensitive questions, for example, distress or discomfort.
* Provide referrals to counseling or other services.

**Will my information be kept private?**

For data collected anonymously:

The data for this study are being collected anonymously. Neither the researcher(s) nor anyone else will be able to link data to you.

 [or]

For data collected with identifiers:

The data for this study will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by federal and state law. Under certain circumstances, information that identifies you may be released for internal and external reviews of this project.

* Explain how you will maintain the participant’s privacy throughout the study.
* Describe where the data will be stored and how it will be protected.
* Describe who will have access to the data including research staff, IRB, Sponsors, agencies, or regulatory bodies (NIH, FDA, etc.)

[If applicable] We will be using [Zoom, Otter, other third-party software to record or transcribe identifiable data] to conduct the research. The Terms of Service and Privacy Policies for these can be found here: [include website locations here].

[If applicable] The results of this study may be published or presented at professional meetings, but the identities of all research participants will remain anonymous.

[Suggested language] Information or biospecimens collected during this study may be used for future research studies or distributed to other researchers for future research studies without your additional permission. Any identifiers will be removed so that the information or samples cannot be linked back to you. If you do not agree to this, you may choose to not join the study.

[or]

Your personal information and/or biospecimens collected during this study will not be used or distributed for future research studies even if the information is de-identified and cannot be linked back to you.

If applicable, discuss reporting of the following (e.g., potential or actual harm - to self or others, child abuse, elder abuse, or other reports that may be made).

**Are there any costs or payments for being in this study?**

There will be no costs associated with participation in this research study. [or] Identify any anticipated costs and who is responsible for these costs.

Address whether or not participants will be compensated for participation. Indicate if partial payments will be included and schedule of each payment.

You will not receive payment or any other form of compensation for taking part in this study.

[or]

You will receive \_\_\_\_\_\_ for taking part in this study. [If payment is via gift card, specify the type of card. If it is entry into a lottery then indicate number of items available and estimated odds of winning] If you decide to quit the study you will receive \_\_\_\_\_. [Specifically explain the method or schedule for each payment.]

If compensating a value of over $50 then add the following information:

The University requires tracking of compensation for tax reporting purposes. You may be asked to provide personal information for payment purposes but this information will be stored confidentially and separate from research data.

If applicable discuss whether data or biospecimens (identifiable or deidentified) collected for this study may ever be used for commercial profit. Indicate if there are plans to share profit with participants or not.

Your information or biospecimens, even if identifiers are removed, may be used for commercial profit. You [will or will not] share in this commercial profit.

**Who can answer questions about this research?**

If you have questions about this study or the information in this form, please contact the research team at: [Insert name, mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number] If you have questions about your rights as a research participant, or would like to report a concern or complaint about this study, please contact the University of Idaho Institutional Review Board at (208) 885-6340, or e-mail irb@uidaho.edu, or regular mail at: 875 Perimeter Drive MS 3010, Moscow, ID 83844-3010.

The University of Idaho Institutional Review Board has approved this project.

**What are my rights as a research study volunteer?**

Your participation in this research study is completely voluntary. You may choose not to be a part of this study. There will be no penalty to you if you choose not to take part. You may choose not to answer specific questions or to stop participating at any time. You will be given a copy of the consent form for your records. In order to withdraw your previously collected data from the study you must [include instructions here]. [If there are consequences for withdrawing from the research state them here.]

**What does my signature on this consent form mean?**

Your signature on this form means that:

* You understand the information given to you in this form
* You have been able to ask the researcher questions and state any concerns
* The researcher has responded to your questions and concerns
* You believe you understand the research study and the potential benefits and risks that are involved.
* You are giving your voluntary consent to take part in the study.

If using audio/video/photography include the following:

As described above, you will be [audio/video recorded and or/photographed] as part of the research procedures. [Recordings/photographs] will be used for [data analysis only/ included in conference presentations/ used for educational purposes, etc.].

\_\_\_\_ I agree to the use of [audio/video recording or photography]

Add an option to request permission to identify an individual or other specifications if applicable.

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Signature of Participant Date

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Printed Name of Participant

**Researcher Signature** (to be completed at time of informed consent)

I have explained the research to the participant and answered all of his/her questions. I believe that he/she understands the information described in this consent form and freely consents to participate.

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Signature of Person Obtaining Consent Date

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