

Informed Consent Form

WHY IS THIS STUDY BEING DONE?

We are faculty members of West Virginia State University and are conducting a study to determine _____. This study is designed is to learn about, and develop solutions to, any perceived _____.

HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL TAKE PART IN THE STUDY?

We plan to collect information from _____.

WHAT IS THE PROCEDURE?

This is a web based survey and it is completely anonymous. The question items include: _____. Your participation of this survey is voluntary, but we encourage you to participate in this important empirical study. If you choose to be in the study you can withdraw at any time without consequences of any kind. You may also leave for a particular question if you choose to do so. Completing this survey may take ____ minutes.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE STUDY?

There are no inherent risks in taking this survey. None of the information being examined is personal. We are looking for better ways to _____.

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS?

There are no direct benefits to participants taking this survey. However, the intended outcome may benefit the participant through _____. The University will benefit from more information on _____. Faculty will benefit from learning that _____.

WHAT IS THE COST?

You will not be charged for participating in this study.

WILL YOU BE PAID FOR THIS?

You will not be paid for participating in this study.

HOW ABOUT CONFIDENTIALITY?

We will not ask you to give us your name, your address or student ID. No one will know if you complete the survey, and no one will know how you answer these questions. Also, your answers cannot be associated with you personally. The information in the survey will be entered to the computer-based file. No one other than the research staff will have access to the data and files. Reports on the information obtained from the surveys will only be presented in terms of group characteristics and not individual responses.

IS THERE COMPENSATION FOR ILLNESS OR INJURY?

In the event of illness or injury resulting from participating in the study, no compensation, financial or otherwise, will be provided by the Investigators or West Virginia State University.

WHOM TO CONTACT?

If you have questions regarding the study you may contact the following agencies or investigator: _____. Questions about the

study outcome should be directed to _____ . If you have questions regarding your rights as participant in a research study, you may contact Dr. Robert Harris, Chair, West Virginia State University Institutional Review Board @ (304) 766-3128.

You can take the survey at the following URL:

By signing below, I acknowledge that I am 18 years old or older, and have read the information regarding this study and that I agree to participate in the study entitled,

“_____”

Participant: _____
Signature Printed name (for legibility)

Date: _____