

Assent to Participate in a Study

Title of Research Study:

Purpose of the Research: We are asking you to take part in a research study because we are trying to learn more about (outline what the study is about in language that is both appropriate to the child's maturity and age).

Procedure/Intervention/Method: If you agree to be in this study you will ... (Describe the procedures and the duration of participation. Describe what will take place from the child's point of view in a language that is both appropriate to the child's maturity and age).

Risks: (Describe any risks to the child that may result from participation in the research.)

Benefits: Being in this study will help us to understand... (Describe any benefits to the child from participation in the research).

Alternative Procedures and Voluntary Participation: If you don't want to be in this study, you don't have to be in it. Remember, being in this study is up to you and no one will be upset if you don't want to participate. You can change your mind later if you want to stop. Please talk this over with your parents before you decide whether or not to participate. We will also ask your parents to give their permission for you to take part in this study. But even if your parents say "yes" you can still decide not to do this.

Confidentiality: All of your records about this research study will be kept locked up so no one else can see them. (Explain how the records will be kept confidential.)

Person to Contact: You can ask any questions that you have about the study. If you have a question later that you didn't think of now, you can call me (insert your name and telephone number) or ask me next time.

Consent: Signing my name at the bottom means that I agree to be in this study. My parents and I will be given a copy of this form after I have signed it.

Printed Name of Child

Signature of Child

Date

Printed Name of Witness

Signature of Witness

Date