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Consent form

Focus Group

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| **Statement of consent** |

By signing below, you are indicating that you:

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| * Have read and understood the information document regarding this project. | Yes /  No |
| * Have had any questions answered to your satisfaction. | Yes /  No |
| * Understand that if you have any additional questions, you can contact the research team. | Yes /  No |
| * Are over 18 years of age. | Yes /  No |
| * Understand that any data collected may be used in future research activities [*omit this dot point if collected data will not be made available for future research activities]*. | Yes /  No |
| * Understand that the focus will be [audio/video] recorded *[omit this point if the focus group will not be recorded]* | Yes /  No |
| * Agree to participate in the project. | Yes /  No |

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| Name (first & last) |  | | |
| Signature |  | **Date** |  |

**Thank you for taking the time to help with this research project.**

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