

Relationships in Cyberspace

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5. I understand that:

I have been asked to talk to Judith by an individual with an intellectual disability already involved in this research.

I might not get anything from taking part in Judith's research. I can stop being involved whenever I like and I don't have to answer questions I don't like.

My ideas and story might go into a thesis or journal, but no one will know it is me and personal details about me will be kept private.

I can ask that Judith stop recording at any time, and that I can leave the interview without any repercussions.

Significant Other's signature.....

Date.....

Participant's signature.....

Date.....

If participants have an appointed advocate or guardian (via guardianship board) a co-signature is required.

Advocate's or Guardian's signature:

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Date.....

I certify that I have explained the project to the participant and consider that he/she understands what is involved and freely consents to taking part.

Researcher's signature

Date.....



Letter of Introduction

This brochure introduces Judith Darragh. Judith is a student in the Disability and Community Inclusion Unit, School of Health Sciences at Flinders University of SA. Judith will have her student card with her for you to see. It has her name and photograph on it to show who she is.

Judith is doing some research that involves understanding the role that the internet and social media plays in the sexuality and sexual relationships of young adults living with intellectual disability. She would like it if you would spend some time talking to her and answering some questions about what you do when you use the internet and social media.

Judith would like to record your interview. Judith will use the audio recordings to write a report (thesis) or have an article printed in a magazine (journal). Judith agrees never to print your name or print personal details that mean people can recognise you. Also if she needs for anyone else to hear the recordings or read a transcript they also agree to respect your privacy. It is important to know that you can choose not to answer a question or stop being involved whenever you like.

Please read or have someone read the information in this brochure to you. If you are interested contact Judith. She will ask you to sign the consent form attached to this brochure.

If you would like to check the information in this brochure, you can telephone

Dr Caroline Ellison (08) 8201 3422
or email her at caroline.ellison@flinders.edu.au
or email Dr Michelle Bellon
at michelle.bellon@flinders.edu.au

The Flinders University Social and Behavioural Research Ethics Committee have agreed that Judith can do this research. If you have any questions whether it is okay for Judith to do this, please contact the Secretary on telephone 8201 3116, by fax on 8201 2035 or by email at human.researchethics@flinders.edu.au

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Dr Caroline Ellison

Dr Michelle Bellon

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A project exploring
The Experiences of Young Adults
Living with an Intellectual Disability
Accessing the Internet and
Social Media for
exploring sexuality and developing
relationships.

Information and Consent Brochure

Researcher

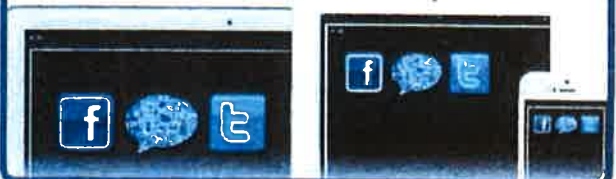
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About My Research

Why am I doing this research?

For many people the internet and social media have become part of everyday life.

I am interested in how people living with an intellectual disability use the internet and social media.

Examples of Social media are:



Facebook



Twitter



MySpace



Blogs

Who I would like to speak to...

I want to talk to people living with an intellectual disability aged between 18 and 26. I think that they are the best people to tell me what I need to know.

Where will we meet?

Wherever you like that is quiet; could be at home or in a park, some where private. However should you decide to meet in a public place keeping our conversation confidential may not be possible. You can bring someone with you if you like.

How much time will it take?

About 1 hour, only once. It depends on how you feel. We can stop any time you like.

With your consent I will electronically record what you say. You can read what I write later to check it is correct.

Are there any risks or discomforts if I am involved?

I don't think so. You can stop any time you like. Sometimes a person can feel upset talking about new things. If any questions do make you feel uncomfortable or give you concern please contact your counsellor or other support service or Lifeline (24 hour confidential counselling service) 13 11 14,

Or SHine SA (Sexual Health Information networking & Education) 1300883793.

I will not be upset if you do not want to answer some questions. You can stop anytime you like.

What will the questions be about?

First I would like to know a little about you by asking

What a typical day is like for you -

- If you work, go to school, or go to a day program
- Where you live
- Who lives with you
- What you like about where you live
- Tell me about your friends

For people who have gone on the internet or used social media

- Do you go on internet and social media sites?
- Who helps you?
- Could you talk about the sites you go to?
- Have you ever looked at sexy pictures on websites that have made you feel sexy?
- What do you think about seeing sexy pictures on websites?
- How does it make you feel?

For people who haven't gone on the internet or used social media

- Would you like to?
- Could you tell me why?
- What would help you use the internet more?

What I want from you...

We will talk about what you do and if you go on the internet or social media sites.

I will also ask you to suggest someone you think will add more information. This could be a family member, paid carer or friend. It does not matter if you can't think of anyone.

How to contact me.

Telephone: (08) 8201 5956 or (08) 8201 3745

or email: judith.darragh@finders.edu.au

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 - I have talked to someone I trust (a member of my family, a carer or a friend) about taking part in this research.

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