

Formative Design Research - Ethiopia

Informed consent script for adolescents 18-19 years-old

Hello, I am working with Population Services International – Ethiopia, a health NGO that works to improve health and save lives around the world. We are studying the health of young people ages 15-19, especially girls. This study will help us improve reproductive health services for adolescents in Ethiopia.

Can I ask you how old you are?

[If 18 and above, continue reading script]

I would like to talk to you about your experiences, attitudes, and beliefs. We may also ask you if you are willing to take some photos of your community. We are talking to more than 100 young people and adults across Ethiopia as part of this study. I would like to tell you more about this study and ask if you would be willing to take part in it.

Our conversation will take not more than one hour. Your answers will be kept confidential, and we will not keep any of your personal information. Participation in the survey is entirely your decision. The most significant risk of participating would be that someone would find out you had participated in this research or learned about what you said. To help prevent this, we are taking care to make sure that only the study staff will see notes from this conversation. We will not record your name. Also, some of the topics we discuss might cause you to feel uncomfortable. You can skip any question you do not want to answer and you can stop the conversation at any time without any consequences. You will not receive any money or gifts for taking part in this study. We would very much like your participation because the information we collect will be used to make reproductive health services for adolescents better in Ethiopia and other countries in Africa.

If at any time you have questions about the study, you can contact

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Would you like to participate in this study?

Researcher obtained assent from the participant:

Researcher's initials

Date

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Informed assent script for adolescents 15-17 years-old

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Can I ask you how old you are?

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