Attachment C

Release and Consent Form

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**RELEASE AND CONSENT FORM**

**Purpose:** The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is conducting an assessment about three concepts developed in Spanish to produce a Public Service Announcement (also called PSA) targeting Hispanic/Latino parents about underage drinking. This focus group is being conducted on SAMHSA’s behalf by Synergy Enterprises, Inc. The purpose of the study is to explore the relevance, understanding and appealing of these three PSA concepts materials among Hispanic/Latino parents/caregivers.

**Procedures:** If you participate in this study, you will be in a group of approximately 10 other parents/caregivers of children ages 9–15. There will be a facilitator who will ask questions and facilitate the discussion, and a note taker to write down the ideas expressed within the group. **We will also be recording the session** to help clarify the information written down by the note takers, should there be any questions in summarizing the results. If you volunteer to participate in this focus group, you will be asked some questions regarding your opinions, comments and suggestions about the visual, audio elements, as well as the messages relevance and call for action. We will not be asking specific information about your alcohol use or your children’s use. No personal information will be included in the notes; we are using first names only during the session.

**Your participation is completely voluntary. You may withdraw from this study at any time without penalty. The estimated time for completing this focus group is 90 minutes.**

**Benefits and Risks:** Your participation may benefit you and other parents and caregivers of children by helping SAMHSA to develop information that is cultural and linguistically relevant to Hispanic/Latino populations aiming to reduce underage drinking. No risk greater than those experienced in ordinary conversation are anticipated. Everyone will be asked to respect the privacy of the other group members. All participants will be asked not to disclose anything said within the context of the discussion, but it is important to understand that other people in the group with you may not keep all information private.

**Privacy:** Data from this study will be analyzed by Synergy Enterprise, Inc. staff and reported to SAMHSA. No individual participant will be identified or linked to the results. Study records, including this consent form signed by you, may be inspected by SAMHSA or the Office of Management and Budget which oversees all research conducted on behalf of government funded agencies. The results of this study will be used to improve the National Media Campaign and as part of the National Evaluation and Reporting. Your identity will not be disclosed. All information obtained in this study will be protected**.** All materials will be stored in a secure location by Synergy Enterprises, Inc. and access to files will be restricted to paid professional staff.

**Consent:**

**By signing below, you are indicating that you fully understand the above information and agree to participate in this focus group.**

**Participant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

If you have any questions or concerns about this study, please contact Elaine Rahbar, Synergy Enterprises, Inc. (240) 485-1700