

## RESEARCH SUBJECT INFORMATION SHEET FOR ADOLESCENTS

**TITLE:** The Impact of ChalleNGe on Participants' Noncognitive Skills

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### **STUDY-RELATED**

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### **STUDY**

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You are being asked to participate in a clinical research study. Your decision to be in this study is voluntary. You do not have to take part in this study if you do not want to.

This sheet will give you information about the risks and benefits of being in this study. This can help you make a better decision about whether you want to take part or not.

### **PURPOSE OF THE STUDY**

The purpose of this study is to look at the impact the ChalleNGe program has on cadets' noncognitive skills. Noncognitive skills are skills that are not academic like math and reading. They are skills like motivation and someone's ability to stick with something. You are being asked to be in this study because we would like to survey as many cadets as possible at 7 sites. The ChalleNGe program you will be attending is one of those we have selected. About 1,200 cadets will participate in this study overall.

### **PROCEDURES**

If you participate in the study you will complete a short survey when you arrive at ChalleNGe. In addition, if you graduate from the program, you will complete the same survey right before graduation. Each time you take the survey it will take approximately 10 minutes.

The survey asks about your attitudes and beliefs about different subjects. There are no right or wrong answers. You will be asked to choose the response that best fits you. You will take the survey on the ChalleNGe campus during normal program hours. You will not miss any classes while completing the survey.

## **RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS**

There are no risks to you if you participate in the study. The survey will ask you about your feelings and beliefs on several topics. If you feel any stress or discomfort while answering a question, you are free to skip it. You can even stop participating in the study altogether. If you choose not to participate or to stop participating, it will not impact your status as a ChalleNGe cadet or your ability to continue in the program.

## **POSSIBLE BENEFITS OF THE STUDY**

You will receive no direct benefit if you participate in this study. But, your participation may help the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe program determine what changes should be made to the program to improve it. This could help increase the number of cadets who pass the General Educational Development (GED) and/or find good jobs.

Please see the consent form given to you for this study for more information.