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## Consent Form for Interviews

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## **Pre-Intervention Interview Consent Form**

### **Asking your permission to be in this research project**

If you are willing to participate in the research project after reading this description, please sign your name at the bottom and give the form back to us. We will give you a copy of the form to keep.

### **What is this project about and what will you ask me to do?**

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### **Who is doing this project?**

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### **Do I have to participate in this project?**

No. It is your choice whether to participate or not. Also, you have the right to stop participating at any time, and you do not have to answer any questions that you don't want to. If you choose not to participate or stop participating, there are no penalties.

### **Will you be recording the discussion today?**

Yes. With your permission, we plan to record the interview, only to make sure we are collecting everything you say. The recordings will remain AIR property and will be destroyed no later than one year after the end of the project.

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Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Proactive TA Discussion Information Sheet**

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