

Understanding Sexual Health Messaging among Men who have Sex with Men Screener

Hello. Thank you for your interest in “the gay men’s sexual health evaluation.” My name is [name]. I am a Graduate Research Assistant at Georgia State University. We are conducting this evaluation to get feedback on a health communication effort to educate (or raise awareness with) gay and bisexual men about a germ. We are recruiting men to participate in a face-to-face focus group that will be held [insert location]. If you are eligible and choose to participate, you will receive \$40 gift card as a token of our appreciation for participating in the discussion.

To see if you are eligible to participate, we need to ask you some personal questions. It is your choice to answer these questions. Your answers will be kept private. You can refuse to answer a question or stop at any time.

If you are not eligible and/or choose not to be part of the focus group, all responses you give me today will be destroyed and you will not be contacted again.

These questions will only take a few minutes. May I ask you the questions now?

- yes
 no

So first let me ask, are you interested in participating in a focus group.

- yes
 no

[If yes, proceed with questions. If no, thank them for their time.]

Thank you. In order to determine eligibility I have a few questions.

1. What is your current age?

[If under 18, thank them for their time and let them know they are not eligible for this particular evaluation.]

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2. Do you currently describe yourself as male, female, or transgender?

- Male
- Female
- Transgender
- None of these

If you selected transgender, please select from below:

- Transman
- Transwoman

[If Female or Transwoman, thank them for their time and let them know they are not eligible for this particular study.]

3. Have you had sex with another man in the past 3 months?

- yes
- no

[If no, thank them for their time and let them know they are not eligible for this particular evaluation.]

4. Ethnicity

- Hispanic or Latino
- Not Hispanic or Latino

5. Which of the following do you identify?

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White/Caucasian
- Other, please identify: _____

6. What is your highest level of education?

- Some or no high school
- Completed high school
- Some college
- Completed 4-year college degree
- At least some post-graduate

7. Have you ever used social networking apps, like Jack'd, Grindr, or Tinder to meet other men?

- yes
- no

[If not eligible] Thank you for your time and interest, you are not currently eligible at this time.

You are eligible to participate.

Would you like a reminder call or e-mail one or two days before our scheduled time? I will destroy your contact information after the completion of your participation to protect your confidentiality. [Note contact information under their nickname or an "R," for reserved, if they do not provide a nickname at screening.]

Any questions before we end? Again, thank you for your interest and have a great day.