

Appendix C – Teacher Letter, Teacher Informed Consent Form for Survey Participation (Consent Package for Teacher of Health Education Survey)

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[DATE], 2016

Dear Educator,

Thank for you choosing to complete this brief survey about your experiences using technology to support nutrition education and promotion in your school. Before you complete this survey, please read the consent form that explains the project and provides information about your rights as a research participant.

Sincerely,

[Researcher]

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Teacher Informed Consent Form for Survey Participation

STUDY TITLE: Educational Technology Environmental Scan

PROTOCOL NUMBER: XXXX

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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:

You are invited to participate in a research study conducted by Michael Cohen Group (MCG) as part of a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) sponsored effort understand the landscape of technology in K-12 schools. MCG is an education research firm that specializes in children, education, and media.

We are interested in learning about how teachers of health education use technology to support nutrition education and promotion in K-12 schools, in order to develop new technologies, programs, and materials that are convenient and useful for teachers. If you agree to participate, you will be asked about your attitudes about and experiences with educational technology.

PROCEDURES:

You will be asked to answer survey questions about your experiences with and attitudes about technology, as well as the challenges, benefits, barriers, and best practices associated with

using technology to support nutrition education and promotion. The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete online. About 119 teachers will participate in total across the country.

POSSIBLE RISKS AND BENEFITS:

We do not anticipate any risks associated with being in this study. We do not promise that you will receive any benefits from this study. However, we do anticipate that most people will enjoy participating in the research process and the research will eventually lead to the development of free teacher resources that will be developed by the USDA.

COMPENSATION:

You will not receive monetary compensation for your participation.

PARTICIPANTS' RIGHTS:

Participation in this study is voluntary. You do not have to complete the survey unless you give your consent. You have the right to change your mind and withdraw your consent or discontinue participation at any time without any penalty or loss of the benefits to which you are otherwise entitled. You have the right to refuse to answer particular questions.

Your name and email address will never be used in any reports of our research findings, nor will it be associated in any way with your responses. Your information will be kept secure and only used for research purposes, except as otherwise required by law. All data will be identified only by an ID number, not by any name.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you have any questions, concerns or complaints about this research study, its procedures, risks and benefits, please contact the Principal Investigator, at the telephone number listed on the first page of this form.

If you have any questions or complaints about your rights as a research subject, contact:

- **Mail:**
Study Subject Adviser
Chesapeake Research Review, Inc.
7063 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 110
Columbia, MD 21046
- **Call collect:** 410-884-2900
- **Email:** adviser@irbinfo.com

CONSENT:

Based on the information provided above, please read the following statements and select whether you agree to participate in the study. If you select “Yes, I agree to participate”, you will be immediately directed to the survey.

Yes, I, agree to participate in this research project with the Michael Cohen Group. I understand that I may stop participation at any time.

No, I do not agree to participate in this research project with the Michael Cohen Group.