**INFORMED CONSENT FORM**

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You have volunteered to take part in a study to [*enter a brief description and purpose of the* study]. In order to have a complete record of your comments, your interview will be [*audio recorded* or *video recorded*] using a digital device. We plan to use the recording to supplement our notes. Only staff involved in this research will have access to the recording.

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[ ]  **Check here if: I consent to participate**

[ ]  **Check here if: I consent to audio/video recording**

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