

Measuring Trust in Research: Information Sheet

TITLE OF STUDY: Measuring Trust in Research

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This form will provide information that will help you decide whether you want to take part in this study. It is your choice to take part or not. Your alternative to taking part in the research is not to take part in it.

Who is conducting the study and what is it about?

You are invited to take part in a research study that is being conducted by Dr. XinQi Dong who is the Director of the Institute for Health at Rutgers University. The purpose of the research is to measure how much members of the community trust research and the people who do research, and why they feel this way.

Dr. Dong may be reached at 848-932 3817 or xinqi.dong@ifh.rutgers.edu.

What will I be asked to do if I take part in the study?

You will be asked to complete a short survey. The survey will ask questions about your opinions on research. The information will be anonymously collected. No one will know which responses are yours. Your participation in the study will be about 10 – 15 minutes. We anticipate that 1,000 participants will take part in the study.

What are the risks of harm or discomforts I might experience if I take part in the study?

We do not foresee risks to subjects participating in this study.

Are there any benefits to me if I choose to take part in this study?

There are no direct benefits to you for taking part in this study.

Will I be paid to take part in this study?

You will not be paid to take part in this study.

How will information about me be kept private or confidential?

The research is anonymous. No information will be collected that can identify who you are. Additionally, to keep the data safe we use multiple levels of data security, and only very few people have access to this data.

What will happen to information I provide in the research after the study is over?

After the study is over the information may be used by or distributed to investigators for other research without obtaining additional permission from you.

What will happen if I do not wish to take part in the study or I later decide not to stay in the study?

It is your choice whether you take part in the research. You may choose to take part, not to take part or you may change your mind and withdraw from the study at any time. If you do not want to enter the study or decide to stop taking part, your relationship with the study staff will not change, and you may do so without penalty and without loss of benefits to which you are otherwise entitled. Please note, however, that once you have submitted your responses, you may no longer withdraw them as we will not know which ones yours are.

If you have additional questions about taking part in this study, you can contact the Principal Investigator: Dr. XinQi Dong, Director, Rutgers Institute for Health. He may be reached by calling 848-932 3817 or emailing xinqi.dong@ifh.rutgers.edu.

If you have questions about your rights as a research subject, you can contact the IRB Director at: New Brunswick/Piscataway HealthSci IRB (732) 235-9806 or the Rutgers Human Subjects Protection Program at (973) 972-1149 or email us at humansubjects@ored.rutgers.edu.