

BULLYDOWN PHASE TWO

CONTENT ADVISORY TEAM: YOUTH ASSENT FORM

Background/Purpose

The Center for Innovative Public Health Research is developing a bullying prevention program for youth. This research study is sponsored by the HopeLab Foundation.

Procedures

We are asking you to take part in our Content Advisory Team (CAT). The CAT will last for about 1.5 weeks. We will ask you to review and give feedback on the program text messages. The messages talk about things like communication, attitudes toward bullying, feelings related to being bullied, and how to deal with bullying.

Here's how it will work:

1. The program has six different lessons and about 250 text messages in total. In the first week, we will ask you to review the messages. We will email you a Word document. There, you will read the messages and provide feedback on each one (so things like the message tone, whether they are interesting to you, etc.)
2. The next week, we will ask you to take part in a 1.5 day focus group. It will be online. You will log in each day (once in the morning, and once in the afternoon in Day 1, and then in the morning of Day 2) and answer questions.

You will receive a \$30 Amazon gift card for providing your feedback on the text messages. You will receive an additional \$20 Amazon gift card for participating in the online discussion. In total, you can receive up to \$50 in an Amazon gift card for participating in this research study.

Risks and Discomforts

It is possible that your privacy will be broken if someone in the focus group shares information with people outside of the focus group. We will ask you and other focus group members to keep the discussion private (so to not share with others what we talk about in the meeting), but we cannot guarantee this will happen.

It is possible that the program content or a question we ask might make you feel uncomfortable. If this happens, you can skip the text message, leave the discussion board and not answer the question, or stop being in the research project completely.

Benefits

We don't know if you will benefit from being part of the study, but your participation is important. It will help us design a better bullying prevention program for middle school students in the future.

Confidentiality

To protect your privacy in the online discussion, we will ask you to create a user name that is different from your real name. If you are part of an online community, think about using a different user name here.

We will keep a copy of your answers so that we can look at them later. Only Dr. Ybarra and people who work with her will be able to see your answers. Your name and contact information will be kept separate from your feedback during the CAT.

Rights of Refusal and Withdrawal

It is your choice to take part in the CAT or not. If you decide not to take part nothing bad will happen.

Do you have any questions about the information that I just read to you, or about the study?

If you have questions about this study later, please contact me by email at Tonya@InnovativePublicHealth.org or call 877-302-6858, ext. 1-806. You can also contact the Principal Investigator, Dr. Michele Ybarra (email: Michele@innovativepublichealth.org; telephone: 877-302-6858, ext. 1-801). If you have any concerns about your rights in this research, please contact the Study Subject Adviser at Chesapeake Research Review, Inc., by email at adviser@irbinfo.com. The adviser can be contacted by calling collect at 410-XXX-XXXX.

Do you agree to participate in this study?

[If yes, agrees to assent]:

Great!

[If no, does not assent]:

Thank you for your time. We respect your decision not to take part in the focus group. To help us design future focus groups, can you please tell me why you decided not to take part?

[record answer]