

Participant Information Sheet

Researcher:

This project is led by Dr Sarang Kim, with Dr Moyra Mortby from the Centre for Research on Ageing, Health and Wellbeing, Australian National University.

Project Title: National survey on attitudes toward dementia

General Outline of the Project:

This study is being conducted to evaluate the attitudes and stigma associated with dementia amongst the Australian public. An anonymous national telephone survey of adults aged 18 years and over will be conducted by an experienced survey research provider, the Social Research Centre.

1000 randomly selected people Australian wide will be surveyed through the home or mobile phones.

Results will be disseminated via peer review journals and conference presentations. However, your personal information will not be published or revealed for any reason.

This project is funded by Dementia Collaborative Research Centre (DCRC), a federal initiative from the Department of Health and Ageing to improve detection, prevention, treatment, and care of individuals with dementia.

Participant Involvement:

Participation in this project is voluntary and you may withdraw at any time during the phone survey without negative consequences. You may also be withdrawn by the Principal investigator at any time of the study for scientific reasons.

Participants in this project will be required to answer a telephone survey on dementia and people living with dementia and it will take approximately 10 minutes.

We do not anticipate that there will be any negative effects of participating. However, some participants may experience distress due to issues raised. If you experience distress, please contact National Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500 or Lifeline 131 114 or Beyondblue 1300 22 4636 for enquiries and support.

Confidentiality:

The investigators will ensure that: the data will not be released to anyone outside the study; the data will not be used for purposes other than those given in the consent form; and any published data from the study is in statistical summary form such that individuals will not be identifiable. The information provided by participants will be kept confidential, as far as the law allows.

Data Storage:

All documents with personal information (hard copies) will be kept in a locked filing cabinet at the Centre for Research on Ageing, Health and Wellbeing. This information will be stored at least 5 years following



publication and will be safely destructed. The electronic data will be stored in password protected files that are only accessible by Co-investigators.

Queries and Concerns:

If you have any concerns regarding this research please contact:

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Ethics Committee Clearance:

The ethical aspects of this research have been approved by the ANU Human Research Ethics Committee. If you have any concerns or complaints about how this research has been conducted, please contact:

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