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Information Sheet for Children (aged 16 to 18)

To be shown and read by parent/carer if required

Well-being and ADHD.

We would like to invite you to take part in a research study. Before you decide you need to understand why the research is being done and what it would involve for you. Please take time to read the following information carefully. Talk to others about the study if you wish.

What is the purpose of the study?

The purpose of the study is to understand how having ADHD affects you and your family's health and well-being.

Why have I been chosen?

We are running this study in a number of ADHD clinics across the UK, and asking lots of children and teenagers who come to those clinics to take part. 1000 families will be asked to take part in the study across the UK. Your brothers or sisters, if they are between 6 and 18 years old, will also be asked to take part.

What will happen?

You and the rest of your family will be asked to complete some questionnaires about your quality of life. You can fill out your questionnaire yourself, or get a parent or the research nurse to help you.

The research nurse will also take some details from your medical records, such as whether you have been taking medication.

Your parent/carer will also nominate a teacher from school who we will write to and ask some questions relating to your ADHD symptoms.

Will you tell anyone what I say?

Only the researchers will know what you say. We will keep your information in confidence. This means we will only tell those who have a need or right to know. If it emerges that there is any possibility of harm to yourself or others from the information you provide then we will tell an appropriate person, for example your GP (usual doctor). When the researchers store this data we will remove your name and use a study number so that your responses are anonymous.

Who else will be informed that I am doing the study?

With your permission we will tell your GP that you are taking part in this research.

Is it a test?

No. There are no right or wrong answers. We just want to know what you think.

How long will my questions take to answer?

It should take you between 5 and 10 minutes to complete the questions.

Do I have to take part?

No, you don't have to. It may help us to understand what life is like for you and your family if you do take part, but if you don't want to then just say no. If you do not want the researchers to look at your medical records then we won't. We will describe the study and go through this information sheet, which we will then give to you. We will then ask you to sign a consent form to show you have agreed to take part. You are free to withdraw at any time, without giving a reason. This would not affect the standard of care you receive.

What if I change my mind or want to stop?

You can stop at any time, we won't mind.

What if there is a problem?

If you have a concern about any aspect of this study, you should ask to speak to the research nurse who will do their best to answer your questions (**CONTACT NAME AND NUMBER**). In the event that something does go wrong and you are harmed during the research and this is due to someone's negligence then you may have grounds for a legal action for compensation against The University of Sheffield, NHS Trust **NAME**, or **CLINIC NAME** but you may have to pay your legal costs. The normal National Health Service complaints mechanisms will still be available to you. Please contact **THE LOCAL COMPLAINTS MANAGER on LOCAL NUMBER**.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.