INDIANA UNIVERSITY STUDY INFORMATION SHEET FOR RESEARCH

Covid-19 Announcements

About this research

You are being asked to participate in a research study. Scientists do research to answer important questions which might help change or improve the way we do things in the future.

This form will give you information about the study to help you decide whether you want to participate. Please read this form, and ask any questions you have, before agreeing to be in the study.

Taking part in this study is voluntary.

You may choose not to take part or may leave the study at any time. Leaving the study will not result in any penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled. Your decision whether or not to participate in this study will not affect your current or future relations with Indiana University.

Why is this study being done?

The purpose of this study is to understand how people respond to a covid-19 announcements.

You were selected as a possible participant because you are part of Amazon Mechanical Turk.

The study is being conducted by Alan Dennis of the Operations and Decision Technologies Department in the Kelley School of Business.

What will happen during the study?

If you agree to be in the study, you will do the following things:

This study will take about 5 minutes. The survey will first collect demographic information. Then, it will show you two announcements about COVID-19 and ask your opinions of the announcement.

What are the risks and benefits of taking part in this study?

The risks of participating in this research are feeling uncomfortable reading about covid-19 or answering questions about it.

We don't expect you to receive any benefit from taking part in this study, but we hope to learn things which will help scientists in the future.

How will my information be protected?

All research includes at least a small risk of loss of confidentiality. Efforts will be made to keep your personal information confidential. We cannot guarantee absolute confidentiality. Your personal information may be disclosed if required by law. Your identity will be held in confidence in reports in which the study may be published. We will record that you participated, but your personal information will not be linked to the survey responses you provide.

Organizations that may inspect and/or copy your research records for quality assurance and data analysis include groups such as the study investigator and his/her research associates, the Indiana

University Institutional Review Board or its designees, and any state or federal agencies who may need to access your research records (as allowed by law).

Will I be paid for participation?

You will be paid \$1.00 for participating.

Who should I call with questions or problems?

For questions about the study, contact the researcher Alan Dennis at 812-855-2691.

For questions about your rights as a research participant or to discuss problems, complaints or concerns about a research study, or to obtain information, or offer input, please contact the IU Human Subjects Office at 800-696-2949 or at <u>irb@iu.edu</u>.

Thank you for agreeing to participate in our research. Before you begin, please note that the data you provide may be collected and used by Amazon as per its privacy agreement. Additionally, this research is for residents of the United States over the age of 18*; if you are not a resident of the United States and/or under the age of 18, please do not complete this survey.

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