**Patient information sheet for a non-invasive study**

**Research project entitled:**

*Design and validation of the Questionnaire for Assessing the Waterbirth Experience (QAWE) in the Spanish population*

**Principal researchers**: Pablo Rodríguez Coll (supervisor of the women and children`s care area of the Mollet Hospital) and Roser Palau Costafreda (supervisor of the Birth Centre of the Sant Joan de Déu de Martorell Hospital Foundation).

**Objectives:**

We request your participation in this research project whose main objective is to design and validate the "Questionnaire for Assessing the Waterbirth Experience (QAWE)" in the Spanish population.

**Benefits:**

It is possible that your participation in this study will not result in a direct benefit. However, the aim is to have a reliable and valid instrument to evaluate the waterbirth experience and thus be able to adapt the care provided to these women, and their companions, to their needs and circumstances. Thanks to this questionnaire, it will be possible to correct the possible causes of dissatisfaction of pregnant women during the birth process and, consequently, to improve maternity services.

**Study procedures:**

From the first moment, the purpose of the study will be explained to you, you will be given the information sheet and you will be asked to sign the informed consent form to fill in the socio-demographic variables questionnaire and then the different questionnaires will be sent to you by e-mail a month after birth, In case you wish to participate in the study.

**Protection of personal data:**

In accordance with Law 15/1999 on the Protection of Personal Data, the personal data obtained will be those necessary to cover the purposes of the study. Your name will not appear in any of the study reports, and your identity will not be disclosed to any person except to fulfill the purposes of the study, and in the case of medical emergency or legal requirement.

Any personal information that may be identifiable will be kept by computerized methods in a secure manner by the researchers and will not be disclosed to any third party. Access to such information will be restricted to principal investigators. In accordance with current law, you have the right to access your personal information and, if justified, the right to rectify and cancel it. If you wish to do so, you should request it from Pablo Rodríguez Coll or Roser Palau Costafreda, the main investigators of this project:

In accordance with current legislation, you have the right to be informed of the data relevant to your health that are obtained in the course of the study. This information will be communicated to you if you wish; in the event that you prefer not to be informed, your decision will be respected.

If you need more information about this study you can contact the researchers responsible, Pablo Rodriguez Coll by e-mail: pablo.rodriguez.coll@gmail.com or by telephone 633136676 and Roser Palau Costafreda by e-mail: roser.palau@gmail.com or by telephone 693935618.

Your participation in the study is completely voluntary, and if you decide not to participate you will receive all the medical care you need and your relationship with the medical team that is treating you will not be affected.