

#### PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Enhancing cancer navigation for newly diagnosed, treated and post-treatment of people living with breast cancer in interior region of British Columbia.

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### Why are you invited to take part in this study? Why are we doing this study?

You are being invited to participate in this research study, because you have a new diagnosis of, are being treated for or have completed treatment for breast cancer. We are asking people to volunteer to participate in this study which includes cancer care navigation, education and support for six months. Researchers want to learn about the perspectives and experiences of people with cancer navigation in Kamloops and Revelstoke in British Columbia.

### How will your information be used?

Based on your information, researchers will prepare research results, reports, workshops and publications. The general study findings will be presented to study participants, community stakeholders, academic conferences and professional workshops.

# Your participation is voluntary

Your participation in this study is strictly voluntary. You are under no obligation to participate. Choosing not to participate will not affect your care services today, tomorrow, or in the future. You have the right to refuse to answer any question and move on in the survey or interview. If you decide to take part, you can change your mind and stop being in the study at any point until 30 March 2025. After that point, you cannot be removed from the study because the data will have been analysed. If you choose to withdraw from the study, your information will be permanently deleted from the study. Your information will not be saved, will not be downloaded and will be removed from the study's master list for any purposes.

# How do I find out what was learned in this study?

Please let us know if you are interested to know the findings, recommendations and knowledge generated from the study. Upon completion of the research study, I will distribute the study findings, executive summary, presentations and further studies with your consent via your contact information.

### What are the benefits of your participation?

Some participants may find it helpful to think and voice their views about what they are experiencing and perspectives that are not known to others. Each of the participants will receive an electronic gift card for groceries worth \$25.00 CAD as a token of appreciation for your time and effort. The non-tangible benefits include increasing a sense of well-being, encouragement, sharing information, and advocacy to help others gain an understanding of the process. We hope that the findings from this study will benefit patients in the future.