

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

ImPaCt Study - Evaluating the effectiveness of consumer-driven product Information to Promote Correct use of child restraint systems in cars.

### 1. What is the research study about?

We invite you to take part in this research study. This study will compare how different types of product information impact correct use of child car seats. This research project seeks to develop child car seat product information that is easy to use, understand, and help parents and carers install and use car seats correctly. To do this, we are running an experiment testing different types of child car seat information to see which is most effective at helping users, like yourself, use child car seats correctly.

### 2. Who is conducting this research?

The study is being run by the following researchers:

- Julie Brown (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Amy Bestman (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Catherine Ho (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Yaojia (Wennie) Dai (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Stacie Powell (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Bianca Albanese (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Conrad Nangla (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)
- Rebecca Szabo (The George Institute for Global Health and University of New South Wales)

### 3. Research Funder

Internal research operational funds will be used to support the project. This research has not received any research funding. The child car seats being tested in this study are received in-kind by manufacturing companies that have agreed to participate in the research. The manufacturing companies have no say on how the research is conducted or the outcome and will not financially benefit from the research.

### 4. Inclusion Criteria

Before you decide to participate in this research study, we need to make sure that it is okay for you to take part. The research study is looking for people who meet the following criteria:

- Are you aged 18 years or over?
- Do you speak English well enough to be able to read and understand the information on the Participant Information Statement and Consent Form (this document)?
- Are you physically able to install a child car seat?
- Are you willing to commute to Neuroscience Research Australia, Randwick, or a satellite study location to participate?

#### Exclusion Criteria

- If you have a physical injury or condition that stops you from installing a child car seat, you won't be able to participate in the study.

### 5. Do I have to take part in this research study?

No, participation in this research study is voluntary. If you do not want to take part, you do not have to. If you decide to take part and later change your mind, you are free to withdraw from the study at any stage.

If you decide you want to take part in the research study, you will be asked to:

- Read this information carefully (if you have any questions, please ask the researchers);
- Agree to participate by signing and returning the consent form. You will also be emailed a copy of this form to keep.

## 6. What does participation in this research require, and are there any risks involved?

If you agree to participate, you will be asked to attend our laboratory at Neuroscience Research Australia (NeuRA), Randwick, or a satellite study location and complete the following study activities:

### A) Participant survey (15 mins)

This questionnaire will collect information on your previous experience with child car seats, information you have used previously to help you use your car seat, and what your perceptions and attitudes are towards safety.

### B) Child car seat installation trial (45 mins)

You will be asked to install a convertible car seat (0-4 years) in the forward-facing mode into the back of a car using the materials that will be supplied to you. You will be supplied with either current manufacturer instructions, or a revised version of instructions based on consumer input. **This trial will be video and audio recorded using a camera on a fixed stand. We will also take photographs of the car seat after the installation.**

### C) Questionnaire on child car seats (15 mins)

This questionnaire consists of 10 questions asking about different aspects of installing and using a child car seat. We will ask you to answer the questions by using the materials supplied to you.

It is important to recognise that child car seats can be heavy to lift for some people and it is expected that the installation trial will require lifting weight or exerting force. The researcher will provide physical assistance with lifting and manoeuvring the restraint if needed, however, they cannot provide any directions on how to install and use it correctly (until after you have finished the trial). For this reason, we have to exclude people who have an existing physical injury or condition that limits them from performing this activity.

While completing the participant survey, you may experience some discomfort or feelings of distress when you are asked questions that refer to your concern for your child. For example, being asked questions from the standardised tool, the 'Parent Supervision Attributes Profile Questionnaire (PSAPQ), such as "I feel fearful that something might happen to my child" may cause you to experience some discomfort. The participant survey will be administered by trained researchers with extensive experience working with parents. However, if you feel uncomfortable at any point while participating in the research, you can have a break, or end your participation. You can also tell a member of the research team and they will provide you with assistance.

If at any stage during your participation in the study you become distressed or require additional support from someone not involved in the research please call:

### Support Services Contact Details

Beyond Blue	1300 224 636	Open 3pm to midnight, 7 days a week
NSW Mental Health Line	1800 011 511	Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
SANE Australia	1800 187 263	Open 10am - 10pm, weekdays

**7. Costs and reimbursement**

Aside from your time and travel to take part in the study, there are no extra costs associated with taking part in this research project. You will receive a \$25 Giftpay voucher via email at your completion of the study activities required for the research.

**8. What are the possible benefits of taking part?**

We cannot guarantee or promise that you will receive any benefits from this research; however, the researchers conducting assessments are trained in car seat safety. After your installation, the researcher will provide feedback on your trial and demonstrate how to rectify car seat errors, if any.

**9. What will happen to information about me?**

If you agree to be in the study, you consent to the research team collecting and using information about you for the research study. The research team will store the data collected from you for this research project for a minimum of 5 years after the publication of research results.

The information about you will be stored in a re-identifiable format where any identifiers such as your name, address, or date of birth will be replaced with a unique code.

Information collected from you in an electronic format stored on a George Institute password protected drive only accessible to the approved research investigators. The recordings will be stored on a George Institute password-protected drive only accessible to the approved research investigators. After the transfer of files, the files on the SD card will be removed. The video footages we collect will only be used for the purposes of analysing and cross-checking the data from the installation trial.

We may want to use the information collected in the study in future research. If so, that research will be an extension of, or closely related to, the original project. Your information will only be shared in a format that will not identify you. You can opt out of this on the optional section of the consent form below.

The information you provide is personal information for the purposes of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW). You have the right of access to personal information held about you by The George Institute, the right to request correction and amendment of it, and the right to make a complaint about a breach of the Information Protection Principles as contained in the Act. Further information on how The George Institute protects personal information is available in the Privacy Policy ([www.georgeinstitute.org/privacy-policy](http://www.georgeinstitute.org/privacy-policy)).

**10. How and when will I find out what the results of the research study are?**

We will publish and report the results of the research. All Information published will not identify you or your child. If you would like to receive a copy of the results you can let us know by checking that box in the consent form.

**11. What if I want to withdraw from the research study?**

If you do consent to participate, you may withdraw at any time. You can do so by completing the 'Withdrawal of Consent Form' at the end of this document or you can ring the research team and tell them you no longer want to participate. If you decide not to participate or withdraw from the study, this will not affect your relationship with The George Institute for Global Health, the University of New South Wales, the funding body or organisations collaborating on this study. If you decide to leave the

research study, the researchers will not collect additional information from you. You can request that any identifiable information about you be withdrawn from the research project.

## 12. What if I have a complaint or any concerns about the research study?

In the case of an emergency, please call 000 for medical attention. If you suffer any injuries or complications and require medical health advice, please contact the healthdirect helpline: 1800 022 222, or visit your nearest GP: <https://www.healthdirect.gov.au/australian-health-services>. If you feel that you need other support as a result of this research project, please contact the research team listed in Section 13 below, and we will discuss with you the possible options and services available.

### Complaints Contact

If you have a complaint regarding any aspect of the study or the way it is being conducted, please contact the UNSW Human Research Ethics Coordinator:

<b>Telephone</b>	+ 61 2 9385 6222
<b>Email</b>	humanethics@unsw.edu.au
<b>Project Ethics (HC) Reference Number</b>	HC210890

## 13. What should I do if I have further questions about my involvement in the research study?

The person you may need to contact will depend on the nature of your query. If you require further information regarding this study or if you have any problems which may be related to your involvement in the study, you can contact the following members of the research team:

### Research Team Contact Details

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### Chief Investigator

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## PARTICIPANT CONSENT FORM

### Impact Study

(Improving efficacy of product information on child restraint safety)

#### Declaration by the participant

- I understand I am being asked to provide consent to participate in this research study;
- I have read the Participant Information Sheet;
- I understand the purposes, study tasks and risks of the research described in the study;
- Recordings: I understand that the research team will video record the child car seat installation trial and that this recording will also collect audio recordings; I agree to be recorded for this purpose.
- I consent to the information collected about me to be used for the purpose of this research study.
- I have had an opportunity to ask questions and I am satisfied with the answers I have received;
- I freely agree to participate in this research study as described and understand that I am free to withdraw at any time during the study. I understand that withdrawal will not affect my relationship with any of the named organisations and/or research team members;
- I understand that I will be emailed a copy of this document to keep;
- I understand that the results of the research may be made available on The George Institute for Global Health and social media, and other publications and reports. Any results will not identify me.
  
- Optional: I would like to receive a copy of the study results via email.

#### Optional Consent for reuse of data and future research:

- I provide my consent for the information collected about me to made available to other researchers as described at section 7 of this document.
- I provide my consent for my name and contact details to be retained in a register so I can be contacted about other research projects in the future.

#### Participant Signature

Name of Participant	
Email of Participant	
Date	

**I agree**

## PARTICIPANT WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT FORM

### Impact Study

#### (Improving efficacy of product information on child restraint safety)

I wish to **WITHDRAW** my consent to participate in this research study described above and understand that such withdrawal **WILL NOT** affect my relationship with The George Institute for Global Health, the University of New South Wales.

- I am withdrawing my consent and I would like any identifiable information collected about me which I have provided for the purpose of this research study withdrawn.
- I am withdrawing my consent to participate in further components of this research and provide my permission for the research team to retain and/or use information collected about me which I have provided for the purpose of this research.
- I am withdrawing my consent and I understand that any information already published and/or not linked to my identity cannot be withdrawn from the research.

#### Participant Signature

Name of Participant (please print)	
Signature of Research Participant	
Date	

#### The section for Withdrawal of Participation should be forwarded to:

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