

CONSENT FORM FOR RESEARCH SUBJECTS

Study title: 'Time use study of mothers'

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1. I(name) of(address) hereby consent to take part in the research project entitled 'Time use study of mothers'. The expected/actual (please circle as appropriate) birthdate of my baby is..... (date)
2. I have read the information letter for this study and understand its contents. I have had the nature and purpose of the research project, so far as it affects me, fully explained to my satisfaction by the information letter and telephone. My consent is freely given.
3. I understand that if I agree to participate in the research project I will also be asked to complete a questionnaire. This will take approximately 10 minutes and include questions about my background and my family.
4. I understand that if I agree to participate in the research project I will also be asked to operate a time recording device for a period of 7 days. The study will collect data on time use activity categories such as childcare, employment and education, personal care, domestic activities, purchasing activities, social and community interaction, and leisure.
5. I understand that while information gained during the research project may be published in the form of a report or a journal article, my personal results will not be identified in any way in those publications.
6. I understand that the information provided by me will be kept confidential so far as the law allows. This form and the data will be stored separately in a locked office at the Australian National University. Data entered onto a computer will be kept in a computer accessible only by password by a member of the research team. The de-identified survey data will be retained indefinitely and may be used for future research subject to ethics committee approval if for a different purpose to that of the original study.
7. I understand that I may withdraw from the research project at any stage.
8. I understand that I will be given a shopping voucher valued at \$10 or \$20, depending on whether I complete one, or more survey periods, to compensate for my time and the inconvenience involved. I understand that this voucher can only be used at the retailers specified on the voucher.

Signed Date

Researcher to Complete

I certify that I have explained the nature and procedures of the research project to and consider that she/he understands what is involved.

Signed Date

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO:

**Dr Julie Smith
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