

NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY
INFORMED CONSENT
FACE-TO-FACE INTERVIEW ABOUT PARENTING

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS INTERVIEW?

You are invited to help me in my psychology training to collect interview data to understand the challenges and opportunities of parenting. This homework project is under the supervision of Dr. Peri Yuksel, Assistant Professor in the Psychology Department at New Jersey City University (NJCU). Please take your time to make your decision. Your participation is voluntarily, and your name will be kept confidential. Be sure to ask questions about anything you don't understand.

HOW LONG WILL THE INTERVIEW TAKE AND WHAT IS INVOLVED?

I will ask you approximately *25 close-ended questions* about your social background and *5 open-ended questions* about a parenting event you have experienced. The interview should take between 30-60 minutes. As part of your participation, you are also asked to allow me to audiotape your interview during the open-ended questions. The recording will allow me to later review and code your comments and help me to ensure that I have complete notes. Once I have written up your comments, I will destroy the audio recording, and no one will be able to identify you with the final data set.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND BENEFITS OF YOUR PARTICIPATION?

It is not expected that being interviewed will harm you in any way. Nor are you asked to disclose specific details of your parenting experiences. However, the discussion of this topic may cause you to remember feelings associated with specific feelings of your own or others close to you. If you believe that you will be uncomfortable talking about your parenting, then I will not interview you because I appreciate our close relationship and do not want you to feel bad in any way.

Your participation in this interview may not have any direct benefits to you. However, I hope to learn the techniques of data collection and reporting the connection between parenting and stress strategies for my psychology homework. The collected data will help future students to analyze a qualitative data on parenting and to form hypotheses and write reports for scientific venues.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE?

You may choose not to participate in this interview at any time. Your decision will in no way affect any relationships to NJCU, to me or any mutual friends or family members.

WHAT ARE THE COSTS AND WILL I GET PAID?

There will be no extra costs to you nor any financial remuneration for your participation. If you like, you will receive my final report summarizing the results of my interview, which will be completed by the end of _____.

SIGNATURE AND CONSENT TO BE INTERVIEWED

Your initials below mean that you have read the above information and had a chance to ask any questions to help you understand what you will do in my homework project. You will be sent via email a copy of this agreement.

INITIALS: _____

DATE: _____