Adverse Childhood Experiences International Questionnaire (ACE-IQ) **Participant Information Form**

Introduction This form describes what participation in the World Health Organization's ACE-IQ means.

> (Note: if the ACE-IQ is administered as part of a broader survey then that must be taken into account when describing the aims and the nature of participant involvement).

Title of survey

The title of this survey is the Adverse Childhood Experiences International Questionnaire (ACE-IQ).

Aim of the survey

This survey is designed to collect information from adults in [name of site] about events they experienced during the first 18 years of their lives.

Data collection methods

We will collect information from [insert sample size] participants throughout the area in which the survey is being conducted. The participants have been selected at random. Information will be gathered through a face to face interview. The interviews will be conducted by a fully trained and experienced interviewer. The interviewer will ask each question and will record your response on a form.

What's involved

First of all we will describe the ACE-IQ to you and you can ask any questions you have about it. We will then ask you to sign a consent form. After that you will be asked to verbally respond to the questions in the questionnaire.

The ACE-IQ will ask you some questions about:

- Age
- Education
- Employment
- Family background
- Experiences in your home when you were growing up
- Events in the community that you experienced when you were growing up

Timeframe

It is estimated that answering the questionnaire will take approximately 5 minutes if selfadministered, and 10 minutes if carried out as an interview.

Your rights

It is your right to:

- decline to take part in the study
- withdraw your consent at any time
- decline to answer any questions in the interview that you do not wish to answer

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Confidentiality

Your participation and data provided for the ACE-IQ will be completely confidential.

Your name will <u>not</u> be recorded or used in any report of the ACE-IQ study.

Results

The results will be used to help design programmes to enhance child positive development opportunities.

The results will be published in research publications, media briefings, fact sheets, and reports and can be made available to you through the local researchers.

Ethical approval

This study has received ethical approval from the Research Ethics Review Committee of [insert name of institution and of location]

Questions

Do you have any questions? These can be raised anytime before or after the survey by contacting the interviewer/research unit, contact details below.

Contact details

[Name of institution and contact details]