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Patient and Volunteer

Consent 4 Consent Information

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Why do we need volunteers for research?

Research is the only way to improve our understanding of illness and to build evidence to develop better treatments in the future. Nearly all research needs the help of volunteers in order to develop these procedures and find out whether they are effective.

The Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospitals NHS Trust (RLBUHT) are always looking for new care pathways to improve the health of our patients and deliver better health outcomes. The range of research that we conduct covers complex new drugs and treatments, new devices or procedures through to simple questionnaire studies.

What is Consent for Consent?

The Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospitals NHS Trust (RLBUHT) has developed a secure database, called “Consent for Consent”, of volunteers who are willing to be contacted about future research projects.

RLBUHT patients have also given permission for hospital healthcare researchers to identify them from their medical notes, so that if they are suitable for a particular research project, because of their medical condition or because of specific medication they are taking, the researcher will be able to contact the person and ask if they would like to consider taking part in a research study.

Who will access my information

If you agree to be included on the C4C database then research professionals from RLBUHT will be able to contact you if there is a research study that they think may be of interest to you; they will send you information about the study and give you the chance to ask any questions. Only if you are happy to proceed will you then be asked to give your consent to take part in a research project.



If you do agree to take part in a research study, the researcher may need to access your other health records, for example from your family doctor (GP), however they will always ask your permission first before doing this.

How do I join C4C?

If you would like to join the C4C database please complete a consent form and we will add you to our records here at the Royal. This is completely voluntary, you can choose to be removed from the database at any point. Once on the database RLBHHT staff will contact you periodically (every two to three years) to check if you still wish to remain on it.

Are you (or you have been in the past) a patient at RLBHHT?

We will only access your medical notes if you give us permission – this is only done to see if you are potentially eligible to take part in a particular study.

Q. If I sign up today what am I actually agreeing to?

By agreeing to give us your contact details today you are saying that you are happy for research staff in the hospital to contact you should a study require volunteers. If you are a patient at RLBHHT you are giving permission for research staff to check your medical notes to see if you are eligible for a particular research project.

Q. Can I change my mind?

Yes - You can change your mind and have your details removed from our C4C database at anytime you choose.



Q. If I decide not to go ahead with C4C will this effect my treatment?

No - Should you decide that you do not wish to be a part of the C4C database this will have no effect on the treatment that you receive from the health care professionals within the hospital.

Q. Who will have access to my data?

Healthcare professionals from the Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen Hospital will be the only people to have access to your information. They will be the ones to approach you regarding any research. Your contact details will never be passed on to any third party or company.

Q. What will you use my data for?

Your data will be held on a secure database here at the hospital. Should a study open in the hospital, that may be relevant to your condition, you may be contacted by research staff to ask if you would consider joining the study.

Q. Will I have to tell my GP?

No – We will inform your GP about your involvement in any research studies you consent to take part in unless you ask us not to. This is for your safety and to ensure that your health and well being is looked after appropriately. It is completely up to you if you wish to tell friends or family members about your participation.

Q. I'm currently taking medication, can I take part?

Yes - You can still join the C4C database and can be considered for individual research studies. You may still be eligible depending on what



type of medication you take – it also depends on the type of research and what the investigator is looking for.

By completing the consent form you are **only** consenting to have your details held on a database and giving permission to be contacted in the future if there is a suitable research project that may be of interest to you

Further Information

For any other questions you may have, please feel free to contact the C4C team using the details below:

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