

PLAIN LANGUAGE STATEMENT AND CONSENT FORM



TO: Participants -Individual Interviews

Plain Language Statement

Date:18.09.2023

Full Project Title: Simulation-based education to support nurses who identify as second victims.

Principal Researcher: Associate Professor Monica Peddle

Associate Researcher(s): Professor Ana Hutchinson, Alfred Deakin Professor Ali Hutchinson, Mrs Jane Walker

1. Consent

This Plain Language Statement contains detailed information about the research project. Its purpose is to explain to you as openly and clearly as possible all the procedures involved in this project so that you can make a fully informed decision whether you are going to participate. Please read this Plain Language Statement carefully. Feel free to ask questions about any information in the document.

Your details have been retrieved from public repositories.

2. Purpose

The research question posed in this research is How can simulation-based education experiences support nurses following patient safety incidents?

The purpose of this research is to explore your experiences and perceptions as simulation experts regarding the use of simulation-based education into organisational quality and risk programs following a patient safety incident and identify key factors to be considered when using this approach in future support programs.

3. Funding

This research was funded by a Grant from the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) – The Debra Spunt Research Grant.

4. Procedures.

Upon responding to the invitation to participate in the research you will receive the Plain Language Statement (PLS) via email from the principal investigator. You will be asked to read the PLS and if you are willing to participate, you will be asked to complete an assessment of your expertise that will be

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embedded in the email and return it to the principal investigator. If you are eligible and agree to participate in the study, you will be asked to provide written consent and take part in an online individual interview via Zoom Conferencing discussing your experiences and perceptions of using simulation methods in organisational quality and risk responses to support nurses following patient safety incident. If you are not eligible to participate in the research, you will be notified via return email. After signing the consent form, prior to participating in the interview, you will be asked to provide your demographic details via a quiz in zoom conferencing. This data will remain confidential and not be shared with other participants. The interview will be audio recorded and transcribed with all identifiers removed and replaced with a pseudonym. Interviews will run for approximately 60 minutes.

5. Risks and benefits.

Possible benefits of the study include the opportunity to reflect and develop insight into your own understanding of the impact of patient safety incidents on health professionals in healthcare. More specifically, the research will assist in understanding the way in which simulation-based methodology may support nurses following a patient safety incident within an organisational response. We cannot guarantee or promise that you will receive any benefits firsthand from this project.

It is not expected that you will be exposed to any physical risk or psychological discomfort by participating in this project, beyond the feelings that may be aroused due to consciously evaluating the motivations that drive your behaviours within relationships, and across stressful contexts. However, participants are directed to contact the appropriate services, Lifeline on 13 11 14 or Relationships Australia on 1300 364 277, if you experience any emotional discomfort. In the unlikely event that your participation results in discomfort, the contact numbers of the researchers involved have also been provided. Feel free to contact them at any time. Should anxiety or discomfort occur at any stage, participants are advised to withdraw from participating in the project. Participants will not incur any risk from withdrawing from the study.

6. Privacy, Confidentiality and Disclosure of Information.

All identifiers will be removed from project data and replaced with a pseudonym. Data gathered from participants will be kept securely. Electronic data will be password protected and stored on a secure server within Deakin University. Any of the electronic files that include any identifying information will be stored separately from the project data. Only the research staff directly linked with the project will have access to the project data. After the completion of the project, the data collected will be securely stored for five years at Deakin University, as set out in the University regulations, after which all the data will be destroyed. The research team will monitor the progress of the research in accordance with ethically approved guidelines.

7. Voluntary participation

Participation in any research is voluntary. You are not obliged to take part if you do not want to. If you decide to take part and later change your mind, you are free to withdraw from the project prior to participating in the interview by returning the withdrawal of consent form to the principal researcher via email. If you do wish to withdraw from the study, contact the researcher via email or phone advising that you wish to withdraw from the study. Your decision whether to take part or not to take part, or to take part and then withdraw, will not affect your relationship with Deakin University, or the researchers.

8. Dissemination of results

Results from this research will be published in peer reviewed international journals and presented at international conferences. In any publication or presentation, information will be provided in such a way that you cannot be identified. A summary of the result of the study may be obtained from contacting the Principal Investigator.

9. Complaints

The research will meet the requirements of any relevant regulations or guidelines authorised by law such as reporting requirements. Any matters of concern will be discussed and actioned by the research team. If you have any complaints about any aspect of the project, the way it is being conducted or any questions about your rights as a research participant, then you may contact:

The Human Research Ethics Office, Deakin University, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood Victoria 3125, Telephone: 9251 7129, research-ethics@deakin.edu.au

Please quote project number [\[HEAG-H 144_2023\]](#).

10. Further information

If you require further information or have any problems, please can contact the Principal researcher involved.

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Consent Form

Date:

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I have read, and I understand the attached Plain Language Statement.

I freely agree to participate in this project according to the conditions in the Plain Language Statement.

I have been given a copy of the Plain Language Statement and Consent Form to keep.

The researcher has agreed not to reveal my identity and personal details, including where information about this project is published, or presented in any public form.

I agree to have the interview audio recorded.

Participant's Name (printed)

Signature Date

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Withdrawal of Consent Form

Date:

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I hereby wish to WITHDRAW my consent to participate in the above research project and understand that such withdrawal WILL NOT jeopardise my relationship with Deakin University.

Participant's Name (printed)

Signature Date

Please post or email this form to:

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