



EASY READ INFORMATION SHEET PARTICIPANTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

Project: An exploration of the perioperative care pathway experiences for people with intellectual disability within Australia.



Hello, my name is Jennifer Bur.

I am a researcher.
I have questions and
I need your help.



What is the research about?

Jennifer would like to hear from people who had planned surgery under general anaesthesia within the **last 5 years**.

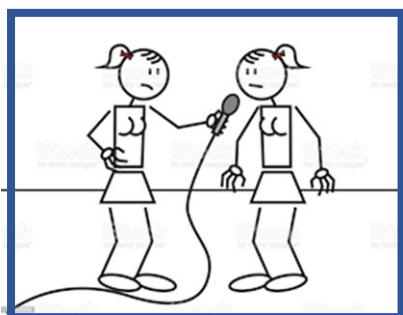


Jennifer would like to hear about your experiences:

- BEFORE you go to hospital
- WHEN you are in hospital
- After you came home from hospital



Jennifer would like to look at Health passport, communication books, and other general surgery information so I can better understand your experience.



Jennifer would like to ask some questions about your experiences when you went to hospital and had surgery.

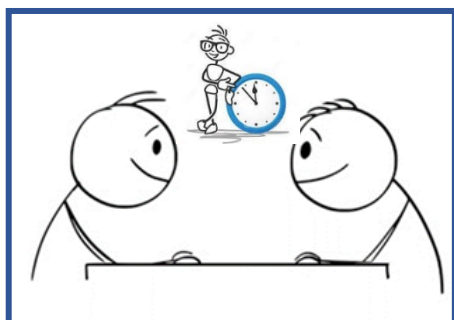


Jennifer will ask,
"Can I record this meeting?"
It means she can listen to it later. Only Jennifer will listen to the recording.



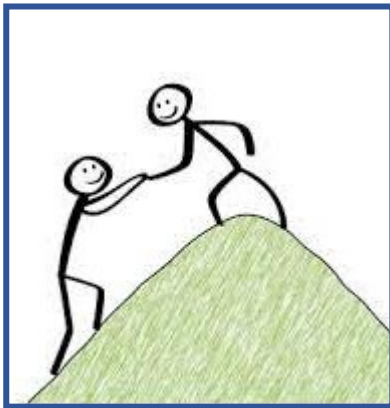
Jennifer will ask,

- *Can you tell me how you felt when...?*
- *What was your experiences?*
- *What would you like changed?*



How much time will it take?

The online meeting or face-to-face and will take about 1 hour. The meeting will be at an agreed date, time, and venue. It will be held during the day.

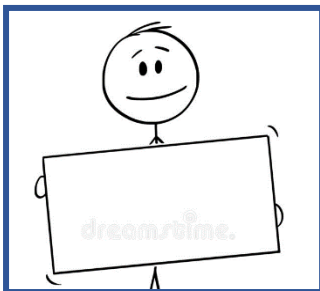


What benefit will I, and the broader community receive by participating?

You will not get direct benefits. Your experiences may help doctors and nurses understand how to better care for other people with intellectual disability when they have inpatient surgery under general anaesthetic in the future.



Will the study involve any risk or discomfort for me? If so, what will be done to rectify it? The meeting will talk about your inpatient surgery experience. The meeting will be audio-recorded.



The researcher will have pictures of general hospital surgical settings that will be used to help Jennifer ask questions. If you need a break the interview will stop.



If you are sad and feel discomfort, you can speak to your doctor or call,

- Lifeline Crisis Support Line on Tel 13 11 14
- Beyond Blue on Tel 1300 224 636.

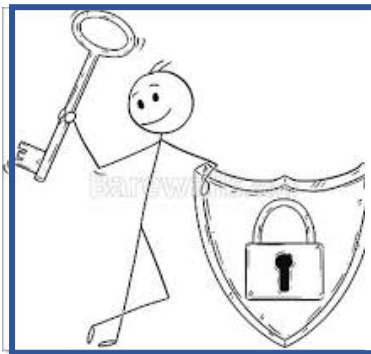


Do you want someone to help you at the meeting??? You can bring someone you know.



Will anyone else know?

Jennifer will write a report about your experience. The report will be published and presented at conferences. You will not be named in the report and only Jennifer will know your answers.



Will the information gathered be disposed of? The interview recordings and information will be kept locked away and then destroyed in five years after publication.



Can I withdraw from the study?

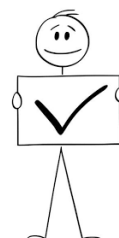
It is **OK**, you can **STOP** being involved at any time. Contact: Jennifer Bur on Email:

19900911@student.westernsydney.edu.au



Can I tell other people about the research???

YES





Anyone interested in the study can talk to the researcher and find out more.

Please contact:

Jennifer Bur on email:

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and I will be happy to help.



What if I require further information?

Please contact the researcher:

Jennifer Bur on email:

19900911@student.westernsydney.edu.au

Please contact the Primary Supervisor:

Nathan Wilson on email:

n.wilson@westernsydney.edu.au



What if I am not happy with the research and want to make a complaint?

If you have any complaints or reservations about the ethical conduct of this research, you may contact the Ethics Committee through Research Engagement, Development and Innovation (REDI) on Tel +61 2 4736 0229 or email humanethics@westernsydney.edu.au.

Any issues you raise will be treated in confidence and investigated fully, and you will be informed of the outcome.

The information sheet is for you to keep, and the consent form is kept by the researcher/s. This study has been approved by Western Sydney University Human Research Ethics Committee.

The Approval number is **H15430**.

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