ATTENTION: ALL STUDENT MOTHERS

We are looking for students to participate in a study.

Would you be interested in participating in discussion groups about your experience of being a mother at university? This is an opportunity to talk to other students in similar situations.

If you are interested or would like more information, please email: **studentmothergroup@gmail.com**

Ethical Clearance No: HSS/0573/016M

Research Title: The Value of Focus Group Participation in the Experience of being a Student Mother

Whilst Pursuing Tertiary Education in South Africa

Details: The purpose of the research is to document the value that focus group participation contributes

to the experience of student mothers who are registered at UKZN, Pmb campus. Researcher: Wendy Robyn Corfe, 922401332, contact: wendycorfe@yahoo.co.uk

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Consent form for Focus group and Interviews (students):



I hereby agree to participate in this study. I have had an opportunity to read and understand the information sheet given to me. The purpose of the study has been explained to me. I understand what is expected of me in terms of my participation in this study and the time commitment I am making to participate. I understand that my participation is voluntary, and I know that I may withdraw from the study at any point, without negative consequences. I understand that there is a limit to confidentiality in a focus group setting as the researcher cannot guarantee that the other participants will adhere to the conditions of the confidentiality pledge. I understand that my data will be stored securely for a period five years and may be used for future research. I understand that measures will be taken to ensure that my identity is protected and my participation in this research will be completely confidential in this regard. I understand that no identifying information about me will be published. I have the contact details of the researcher should I have any more questions about the research. In the unlikely event that any personal issues should arise during the research, I have been given contact details for counselling and campus clinic services. I have also been given contract information of the Research Ethics office.

| Signature of Participant | Date |
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