**UKZN HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (HSSREC)**

**APPLICATION FOR ETHICS APPROVAL**

**For research with human participants**

# INFORMED CONSENT RESOURCE TEMPLATE

Note to researchers: Notwithstanding the need for scientific and legal accuracy, every effort should be made to produce a consent document that is as linguistically clear and simple as possible, without omitting important details as outlined below. Certified translated versions will be required once the original version is approved.

There are specific circumstances where witnessed verbal consent might be acceptable, and circumstances where individual informed consent may be waived by HSSREC.

## Information Sheet and Consent to Participate in Research

Date: 19 August 2024

My name is NOLUTHANDO NOMPUMELELO NGCONGO (221019656) from the UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS. 221019656@stu.ukzn.ac.za

You are being invited to consider participating in a study that involves research in the Perceptions of students on transactional sex among University of KwaZulu-Natal, Howard College campus students. The aim and purpose of the research is the shed inside on the nature, effect, factors and implications of transactional sex among students. The study is expected to enroll 100-120 participants, who are at HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS. It will involve the following procedures: self-filling questionnaire. The duration of your participation if you choose to enroll and remain in the study is expected to be 5-10 minutes.

The study does not intend on having risks and/or discomforts. The study will provide no direct benefits to participants. The study will seek ways in which to improve sexual education of students. When Psycho-Social Support is required use the tall free 0800 800 017.

This study has been ethically reviewed and approved by the UKZN Humanities and Social Sciences Research Ethics Committee (approval number\_\_\_\_\_).

In the event of any problems or concerns/questions you may contact the researcher at 221019656@stu.ukzn.ac.za or the UKZN Humanities & Social Sciences Research Ethics Committee, contact details as follows:

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**PLEASE NOTE**:

* Participation in this research is voluntary and you may withdraw participation at any point.
* In the event of refusal/withdrawal of participation the participants will not incur penalty or loss of treatment or other benefit to which they are normally entitled.
* No costs will be incurred by participants as a result of participation in the study. There are no incentives and reimbursements that will be given to participants.

To protect confidentiality of personal information, the participants names will not be mentioned in the publishing of the collected data.

Protection will be guaranteed through the use of pseudonyms.

The data will be stored safely in a place where the researcher and supervisor has access to. Then it will later be destroyed.

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**CONSENT**

I ……………. have been informed about the study entitled Perceptions of students on transactional sex among University of KwaZulu-Natal, Howard College campus students. by Noluthando Nompumelelo Ngcongo.

I understand the purpose and procedures of the study

I have been given an opportunity to answer questions about the study and have had answers to my satisfaction.

I declare that my participation in this study is entirely voluntary and that I may withdraw at any time without affecting any of the benefits that I usually am entitled to.

If I have any further questions/concerns or queries related to the study, I understand that I may contact the researcher at 221019656@stu.ukzn.ac.za

If I have any questions or concerns about my rights as a study participant, or if I am concerned about an aspect of the study or the researchers then I may contact:

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**Signature of Participant Date**

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**Signature of Witness Date**

**(Where applicable)**

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**Signature of Translator Date**

**(Where applicable)**