



National Drug and
Alcohol Research
Centre



ONLINE PARTICIPANT INFORMATION STATEMENT Brief Workforce Survey

Family Youth Work Program Key Stakeholders
Systemic Family Work With Young People Experiencing Alcohol and Other Drug
Related Problems: Evaluation of Trial Program

Chief Investigator: Lynda Berends **Co-Investigator:** Horace Wansbrough

1. What is the research study about?

You are invited to take part in this research study. The study aims to determine if the Youth Support and Advocacy Service (YSAS) Family Youth Work program brings about positive changes for participants and to explore how the program works with other youth services in the area.

2. Inclusion/exclusion criteria

I would like to invite you to participate in this research study because you provide services for young people in the Bendigo region and the YSAS Program Clinician has been in contact with you.

3. Who is conducting this research?

The study is being carried out by Dr Lynda Berends, Senior Visiting Fellow at the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, UNSW, and Director of the TRACE Research consultancy and Mr Horace Wansbrough, Program Clinician at YSAS.

This research is being funded by YSAS.

4. Do I have to take part in this research study?

Participation in any research study is voluntary. If you do not want to take part, you do not have to.

If you decide you want to take part in the research study, you will be asked to:

- Read the information carefully (ask questions if necessary);
- Complete the online questionnaire.

5. What does participation in this research require, and are there any risks involved?

If you decide to take part, please complete the survey that follows this introduction. The survey will ask you questions about your role and involvement in family inclusive work, your experiences in working with the YSAS Family Youth Work program and your suggestions for how the program may be improved. The survey should take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

I don't expect the survey to cause any harm or discomfort, however if you experience feelings of distress as a result of participation please contact Lynda Berends via email l.berends@unsw.edu.au or phone 0414 971 570.

6. What are the possible benefits to participation?

We hope to use information we get from this research study to benefit others who need assistance regarding alcohol and other drug related problems and family relationships.

7. What will happen to information about me?

Submission of the online survey is an indication of your consent. By clicking the 'I agree to participate' button you are providing your permission for the research team to collect and use information about you for the research study. Your data will be kept for a period of 7 years after the findings are published. We will store information about you in a non-identifiable format on a password protected server at YSAS, 39 Garsed St Bendigo 3550.

The information about you will only be used for the evaluation of the YSAS Family Youth Work program. Major findings will be included in a research report. Where specific examples are used, details will be changed to protect the confidentiality of those involved.

8. How and when will I find out what the results of the research study are?

The research team intend to publish and/ report the results of the research study in a variety of ways. All information published will be done in a way that will not identify you.

If you would like to receive a copy of the results you can let the research team know by adding your contact information to the Consent Form below. We will only use these details to send you the results of the research.

9. What if I want to withdraw from the research study?

If you do consent to participate, you may withdraw at any time. You can do this by closing the survey. If you withdraw from the research we will destroy any information that has already been collected. Once you have submitted the survey however, we will not be able to withdraw your responses as the survey is anonymous.

10. What should I do if I have further questions about my involvement in the research study?

The person you may need to contact will depend on the nature of your query. If you require further information regarding this study or if you have any problems which may be related to your involvement in the study, you can contact the following member/s of the research team:

Research Team Contact

Name	Lynda Berends
Position & Organisation	Senior Visiting Research Fellow, University of NSW
Position & Organisation	Director, TRACE Research
Telephone	0414 971 570
Email	l.berends@unsw.edu.au

What if I have a complaint or any concerns about the research study?

If you have a complaint regarding any aspect of the study or the way it is being conducted, please contact the UNSW Human Ethics Coordinator:

Complaints Contact

Position	Human Research Ethics Coordinator
Telephone	+ 61 2 9385 6222
Email	humanethics@unsw.edu.au
HC Reference Number	HC180614



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Consent Form – Participant providing own consent

Declaration by the participant

- I understand I am being asked to provide consent to participate in this research study;
- I have read the Participant Information Sheet or it has been provided to me in a language that I understand;
- I provide my consent for the information collected about me to be used for the purpose of this research study only.
- I understand that if necessary I can ask questions and the research team will respond to my questions.
- I freely agree to participate in this research study as described and understand that I am free to withdraw at any time during the study and withdrawal will not affect my relationship with any of the named organisations and/or research team members;
- I would like to receive a copy of the study results via email or post, I have provided my details below and ask that they be used for this purpose only;

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

- I understand that I can download a copy of this consent form from [Weblink to be added]