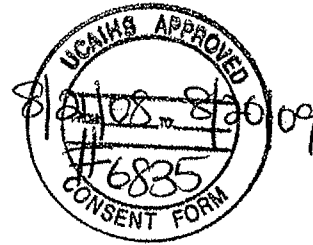


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Parental/Guardian Permission Form for Department Pool Participants Earning Credit

Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named Clinical Assessment. The study is designed to learn more about group versus individual assessment of predictors of mental health problems. It is being conducted by Jojanneke van der Toorn who is the principal investigator, as part of her graduate training. The faculty sponsor of this work is Prof. Tom Tyler, Department of Psychology.

If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he/she will be asked to: Review intake forms from a mental health clinic and, on the basis of these transcripts, be asked to determine which clients are likely to develop mental health problems. He/she will also be asked to complete several questions about the process. Your child's participation will take about 1 hour, and he or she will receive 1 credit for laboratory participation towards the course research requirement. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be given to him/her.

There are no known risks associated with your child's participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make him or her more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand the advantages and disadvantages of group- versus individual decision making processes in a clinical assessment context.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing after the study has begun will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. If your child withdraws at any time, he or she will still receive the 1 credit offered for taking part. Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions he or she prefers not to answer.

Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by not collecting any identifying information and by assigning unique code numbers to the materials. The data from the study will be kept until 5 years after publication, as recommended by the American Psychological Association, and then destroyed by shredding.

If there is anything about the study or taking part in it that is unclear or that you do not understand, if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact the principal investigator, Jojanneke van der Toorn, at 212-998-7808, jojanneke@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, room 568, or the faculty sponsor, Prof. Tyler, at 212-998-7816, tom.tyler@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, room 578. For questions about your child's rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), NYU, (212) 998-4808 or ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu, 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, NY 10012.

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Parent's Signature

Date