

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

USER TESTING OF iCAMPERDOWN: AN ONLINE SPEECH TREATMENT FOR ADULTS WHO STUTTER (UTS HREC REF NO ETH23-8118)

WHO IS DOING THE RESEARCH?

This research is being conducted by Ms Constance Alateras, Masters student at the Australian Stuttering Research Centre, University of Technology Sydney (UTS). This project is being supervised by Associate Professor Robyn Lowe, Professor Mark Onslow, Professor Ross Menzies, Professor Ann Packman, Associate Professor Susan O'Brian and Dr Anna Hearne.

WHAT IS THIS RESEARCH ABOUT?

This research is being conducted to collect feedback about the look, feel, and ease of use of the iCamperdown program—an online speech treatment for adults who stutter. iCamperdown is based on the Camperdown Program, an evidence-based treatment for adults who stutter. The program is designed to teach adults a speech technique to control stuttering. iCamperdown is in the initial stage of development and may be modified based on the feedback obtained from this study.

FUNDING

Funding for this project has been received from the National Health and Medical Research Council.

WHY HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED?

You have been invited to participate in this study because:

1. You are an adult who stutters.
2. You have regular access to a computer with a stable internet connection.
3. You reside in Australia.
4. You have functional spoken and written English.

IF YOU SAY YES, WHAT WILL IT INVOLVE?

If you decide to participate:

- You will be invited to provide feedback about the iCamperdown program. This will involve you looking at parts of the program and telling me your thoughts about the content and look of the pages. It will also involve you listening to and providing feedback about audio recordings and videos that are part of the program.
- We ask that you do not try any of the procedures that you might learn. If you need treatment, it is important that you see a speech pathologist experienced in the treatment of stuttering.
- We will arrange a time that is convenient for you to look at the program.
- You will join a researcher by videoconference.
- Following your review of the program, you will be asked some questions about it.

- The entire procedure will take between 2 and 3 hours. You will be able to take short breaks during this time.
- We will video and audio record the session so that we can analyse your responses afterwards.
- The feedback you provide may be used to make changes to the program to improve the user experience.
- You will be compensated for your time with a \$50 gift card.

ARE THERE ANY RISKS/INCONVENIENCE?

Yes. There may be some risks/inconvenience by participating in this study.

- We anticipate it will take between 2 and 3 hours to review the program and provide your feedback. You might experience some fatigue and, therefore, we will provide you with regular breaks during the meeting.
- You might feel discomfort about being video and audio recorded during the meeting. Please note that only the researchers directly involved in the study will have access to your data during the transcription and analysis stage. However, your audio and video recordings will be discarded immediately post the transcription and analysis stage.

DO I HAVE TO SAY YES?

Participation in this study is voluntary. It is completely up to you whether you decide to take part.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF I SAY NO?

If you decide not to participate, it will not affect your relationship with the researchers involved in this study or the University of Technology Sydney.

If you wish to withdraw from the study once it has started, you can do so at any time, without having to give a reason, by contacting Associate Professor Robyn Lowe or Ms Constance Alateras by email: asrc.research@uts.edu.au or phone: 9514 5314.

If you decide to withdraw from the study we will not collect additional personal information from you. Data that has been collected such as your answer to any questions, will be destroyed at your request; although personal already collected will be retained to ensure that the results of the research project can be measured properly and to comply with law. You should be aware that data collected up to the time you withdraw will form part of the research project results. If you do not want this to happen, you must tell the researchers before you join the research project.

CONFIDENTIALITY

By signing the consent form, you consent to the research team collecting and using your personal information for the research project. All information will be treated confidentially. The following steps are taken to ensure your privacy and confidentiality:

- You will be assigned a unique identifier that will only be known to researchers in this study.
- All your information will be de-identified for data storage and analysis.
- All data will be stored securely on a UTS server.
- Only researchers directly involved in this study will have access to your information.
- Audio and video samples will be discarded immediately after the transcription and analysis stage.

Your information will only be disclosed with your permission, except as required by law.

We plan to publish the results in professional peer reviewed journals and present the findings at professional conferences. In any publication, information will be provided in such a way that you cannot be identified.

We may use the data collected during this research for future research studies. In the event of this, we will seek ethical approval to re-use your data. For any future research, only de-identified data will be analysed.

WHAT IF I HAVE CONCERNS OR A COMPLAINT?

If you have concerns about this research that you think I or my supervisor can help you with, please feel free to contact us on the details listed below.

Associate Professor Robyn Lowe or Ms Constance Alateras

Email: asrc.research@uts.edu.au or phone: 95145314

You will be given a copy of this form to keep.

NOTE:

This study has been approved in line with the University of Technology Sydney Human Research Ethics Committee [UTS HREC] guidelines. If you have any concerns or complaints about any aspect of the conduct of this research, please contact the Ethics Secretariat on ph.: +61 2 9514 2478 or email: Research.Ethics@uts.edu.au], and quote the UTS HREC reference number. Any matter raised will be treated confidentially, investigated, and you will be informed of the outcome.

CONSENT FORM**USER TESTING OF iCAMPERDOWN: AN ONLINE SPEECH TREATMENT
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I _____ [participant's name] agree to participate in the research project *Usability testing of iCamperdown: An online speech treatment for adults who stutter* (UTS HREC REF NO. ETH23-8118) being conducted by Ms Constance Alateras, Masters candidate at the Australian Stuttering Research Centre, University of Technology Sydney. This project is being supervised by Associate Professor Robyn Lowe and co-supervised by Professor Mark Onslow, Professor Ross Menzies, Professor Ann Packman, Associate Professor Susan O'Brian and Dr Anna Hearne. I understand that funding for this research has been provided by the National Health and Medical Research Council.

I have read the Participant Information Sheet.

I understand the purposes, procedures, and risks of the research as described in the Participant Information Sheet.

I have had an opportunity to ask questions, and I am satisfied with the answers I have received.

I freely agree to participate in this research project as described, and I understand that I am free to withdraw at any time without affecting my relationship with the researchers or the University of Technology Sydney.

I understand that I will be given a signed copy of this document to keep.

I agree to be:

Audio recorded

Video recorded

I agree that the research data gathered from this project may be published in a form that:

Does not identify me in any way

May be used for future research purposes

I am aware that I can contact the researchers named below if I have any concerns about the research:

Associate Professor Robyn Lowe or Ms Constance Alateras

Email: asrc.research@uts.edu.au Phone: 9514 5314

Name and Signature [participant]

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Date

Name and Signature [researcher or delegate]

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Date