

# Easy-Read Focus Group Information Sheet

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## What is this study about?

This study is finding out about what public places are like for autistic people who have sensory processing differences.



## Who can take part in the study?

People who:  
Are autistic  
Are aged 18 or over



## What will I do if I take part?

First, you will fill out a short questionnaire that tells us a bit more about you.

Then you will come to an online group where we talk about everyone's sensory experiences of different public places (like shops).

This group will last about an hour.

The group will have 3-4 other people in it with you.

The talk will be recorded. You do not have to have your video or audio on if you do not want to.



At the end of the session, we will ask you to draw a picture of what an ideal public place would be for you. We will ask you to share it with us. You can share it in the group or send it privately. You do not have to do a drawing if you do not want to.

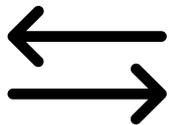


### **Do I have to take part?**

No. You do not have to do this study

It is your choice

You can ask questions before you decide



### **Can I change my mind?**

Yes. You can change your mind at any time before or during the group by leaving the meeting. You do not have to tell us why you want to stop. After the group is finished you have 7 days when you can change your mind.

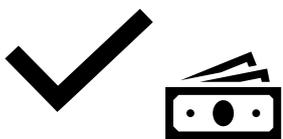


### **What happens to my information?**

Your information will be kept private and safe.

What we talk about will be recorded and will then be written down. It will not have your name on it.

If I think you or someone else is not safe I will have to tell other people about this.



### **Good things about taking part?**

It might help autistic people in the future

You will get a £20 voucher at the end



### **Risks about taking part?**

Some people may feel sad or upset. Tell us if you feel sad or upset and we can stop. We can support you to get more help if you feel very upset.



### **What will you do with the results?**

We will use this to work with other people to make an event about sensory processing in different environments



We will also make a video that tells people about what it is like to have sensory processing difficulties

We will write about the results.



We will send it to a journal so other people can read about it. A journal is like a magazine.

We will also put the results on social media such as Instagram and Twitter so that people can learn about what we found.

### **Who is funding this study?**



A Wellcome Trust Enriching Engagement Grant (KCD00230).

The Medical Sciences Interdivisional Research Ethics Committee will also check this study. They are a group of people who make sure studies are run well.



### **What if there is a problem?**

If you are not happy at any time you can speak to Cathy Manning or Catherine Woolley. If you want to complain formally you can do this too. We will give you the details of who to talk to.

### **Contact Details**



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