

The purpose of this form is to document that consent was obtained from a person between the ages of 7 and 18 to participate in a research study. If the minor cannot read this form, it must be read to him or her.

Title of Research Study: World-wide Collaboration to Empower People with Disabilities to Improve Assistive Interfaces.

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Purpose: The objective of this project is to help people with severe disabilities gain access to a computer and thereby obtain a tool for communication. The project collects information on the computer and sends it to the makers of the program.

If you agree to participate in this research project, the following things will happen:

- We will collect information about the Camera Mouse by sending messages to our computer.
- You do not need to perform any experiments for us.
- You can select the level of information sent to us, from sending no messages to sending information such as where the mouse pointer is and when you click it.

Confidentiality: All information and video data obtained in this research project will be considered confidential. It will be used for research purposes only. Access to the digital data will be restricted.

Benefits: Participation in this study introduces you to a new computer tool for communication and education. You will help improve a mouse replacement system used by people worldwide. With your help, our system will become easier to use by people with movement disabilities.

Expected Duration: The data collection will occur as long as you are enrolled in our research study.

Questions: The researcher has provided information to you about this study and has offered to answer your questions. If you have any questions about your rights as a participant in a research study, contact the Coordinator of the Institutional Review Board, Boston University, at 617-358-6115.

Right to Refuse or Withdraw: Your participation in the research study is entirely voluntary. You may use the Camera Mouse without participation in the research study. You are free to refuse to take part or withdraw at any time. There is no penalty for withdrawal.