### School Personnel

Round Rock ISD study schools have Federal Wide Assurance (verification # is being

obtained) that allows school personnel to operate as agents of the study, similar to study staff

members. School personnel are involved in both pilot and control schools.

There is no specific recruitment of teachers for the study. The support of these

individuals is encouraged during the first contacts with schools by including them or their representatives in meetings and emphasizing the importance of their roles in the study. Training and orientation sessions help further establish lines of trust, communication, and support throughout the study between study staff and school personnel. Ensuring ‘buy-in’ and support of study activities is considered critical to success.

### Waiver from Human Research Training Requirements

Participating schools operate under Federal Wide Assurance (FWA) to conduct

research, and various school personnel—including classroom teachers, PE teachers, and student peer communicators—are considered agents of the study and may assist in the delivery of selected pilot components. Given the trial design, the number of individuals involved, and the inclusion of minors, the process of certification of individuals is difficult and impractical. In addition, these individuals are not members of the target audience for whom this training was intended—i.e., they are not researchers or investigators, they become involved after the protocol had been finalized, and they have no influence, control, or responsibility for study design. Each ALL ABOUT HEALTH Study Group seeks exemption in the IRB submission from the requirement of human subjects certification for these individuals. The study conducts training sessions emphasize privacy and confidentiality of subjects and data.

**Informed Consent and Assent**

Each ALL ABOUT HEALTH Study Group must follow the standards and guidelines of the local Institutional Review Board (IRB) for appropriate wording and for administering and obtaining written or verbal consent. Prior to submitting consent forms to the local IRB, sites must submit consent forms to the collection center for approval. Once IRB approval for the study has been obtained, documentation of approval must be submitted to the collection center prior to recruiting students. Study participants sign two copies, keep one and return the other to the ALL ABOUT HEALTH Study Group where forms are stored in a secure location.

Consent is obtained prior to conducting any of the activities the subjects are being

consented for. Participation is totally voluntary and consent may be revoked at any time by the participant. Further, consented participants have the right to refuse to provide information or data all or in part at any time. Consent and assent are obtained for participating in data collection measures and procedures. Parents, students, and others who want to withdraw from participation in any aspect of the pilot follow established school procedures for being excused.