**Application # 2009R1633**

**Synopsis:**

**Recruitment email:**

The miswritten sentence in the recruitment email was corrected. It now reads: “Your participation in this survey will help the researcher to understand more about people’s perceptions about their on-again, off-again relationships. Your participation may also prove interesting for you as your reflect on your own relationship while answering the questions. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for your time!”

**Consent form:**

Title was changed to “Consent Form”.

A statement in regard to the age of the participants was included. It reads: “If you are currently involved in an on-again-off-again relationship, and are at least 18 years old, you are invited to participate in a research study examining the dynamic nature of these types of relationships.”

The term “anonymous” was added. It reads: “As there is no method for identifying the participants of this study, you will remain completely anonymous.”

A statement in regard to participants choosing not to answer questions was already included in the survey; it is now a bolded item and it is also in its original location.

A statement about requesting results was clarified. It now reads: “The findings of this study can be provided to you if you email the researcher and request them (brittani@txstate.edu).”

A statement that the participant can print a copy of the consent form for their own records is now included.

The IRB reference number is now included.

The projected time to complete the study was adjusted and is now more accurate.

One question from each of the survey sections is included as a sample.

A mental health referral is now included.

A statement about a potential benefit being the subject gaining greater insight into themselves and/or relationships was included.

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Synopsis:  
-       The synopsis does not speak to data collection, handling or protection. Please explain how data will be treated.  
  
  
  
  
07/23/09 16:22:37   
1. It was stated in the synopsis that: There are no foreseen potential risks to the participants. It is better to have previous literature to support this claim.   
  
2. In the case of student projects, evidence of approval of Supervising Professor or Faculty Sponsor should be included.   
  
3. It is stated in the consent form that: The purpose of this research is to fulfill requirements for a Master’s thesis. This statement is very vague. It is necessary to specify the research purpose in much more detail.**