## RESEARCH PROTOCOL

1. **Project Title**: Questionnaire of psychological assistance

You may want to use an interview also?

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- 3. **Purpose**: The purpose of our research is to understand people from all ages to help us derive requirements for the design of novel interactive computational media that are intended to be useful to everyone. A brief description of our design concept is: perspective and need of psychological assistance
- 4. **Process to be followed**: We will brief the participants about the purpose of the study, explain the consent form to them, and ensure that they sign the consent form. We will then engage the participants in about ten-question-long questionnaire.
- 5. **Participant selection:** Participants will be chosen from random people on the street. They will be identified via describing the purpose of the research and selected according to their willingness. In general, they will be characterized by age, gender and occupation.

You may want to try instead to recruit people from your own social network. This type of research is very sensitive and may be difficult to just approach people on the street to ask these types of

- 6. **Relationships**: Our relationship to the participants may be described as follows: no relationship. friends, family, and friends of friends.
- 7. **Risk and benefit:** There will be minimal risk to the participants, for example that they feel that they have wasted their time. The only benefit will be to contribute to the education of the investigators. Participants are free to withdraw before or at any time during the study without the need to give any explanation.
- 8. Consent details: We will brief the participants about the purpose of the study, and explain the attached consent form to them, and ensure that they consent to participate and sign the consent form.
- 9. Compensation: Participants will receive no compensation.
- 10. **Information sought:** The information to be sought is described in the attached <whatever research instrument will be used, such as a protocol for asking questions in a semi-structured interview>.

| 11. <b>Confidentiality</b> : Information will be kept confidential by the investigators. Names or other identifying or  |  |  |  |
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| identified information will not be kept with the data. The only other use will be to include excerpts or copies in the assignment submitted, but names and other identifying or identified information will not be submitted. |  |  |  |
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## **CONSENT FORM**

## **Consent Form: <Psychological Assistance>**

I hereby consent to participate in a research study conducted by Yunzhou Feng, Weining Chen, Ziyang Jiang, Kecheng Li, Jingyu Su

for an assignment in University of Toronto Computer Science 396, Designing Systems for Real World Problems.

I agree to participate in this study the purpose of which is studying the need of online psychological assistance.

## I understand that

- The procedures to be used are filling out questionnaire.
- I will receive a toy golden retriever for my participation.
- I am free to withdraw before or any time during the study without the need to give any explanation.
- All materials and results will be kept confidential, and, in particular, that my name and any identifying or identified information will not be associated with the data.

| PARTICIPANT          |           |  |
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| Name (please print)  |           |  |
| Signature            |           |  |
| Toronto, Date        |           |  |
| INVESTIGATOR(s) Name | Signature |  |