

## University of Chicago Online Consent Form for Research Participation

**Study Title:** Reimagined-Vis: v\_al1y\_lint

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**Description:** We are researchers at the University of Chicago doing a research study about making data visualizations more accessible to viewers with visual impairments. This research allows us to understand how to make data visualizations more accessible to low vision viewers as well as better incorporate tools for making data visualizations more accessible. This procedure will involve surveys regarding readability of data visualizations, creation of accessible data visualizations and evaluation of a tool to make data visualizations more accessible. The length of this study is estimated as 15/20 minutes per participant.

**Risks and Benefits:** Your participation in this study does not involve any risk to you beyond that of everyday life. Taking part in this research study may not benefit you personally, but we may learn new things that could help others.

**Rights as a participant:** Your participation in this interview is voluntary. If there are any questions in the survey that you do not wish to answer, you may skip them. You may stop participating at any time.

**Confidentiality:** The researchers will take all possible steps to keep information about you confidential and anonymous, and to protect any information collected as part of this project from unauthorized disclosure, tampering, or damage.

- Your name will not be viewed by anyone except the three researchers in this team.
- All names will be deleted from our data files before saving and preparing the data for analysis.
- All data will be stored in password-protected files on password-protected computers or on secure cloud storage only accessible by members of this research.
- After the project is completed, any data that is shared for the purpose of scientific inquiry will remain completely anonymous and all identifying information will have been removed. When results from this study are shared, your name or the names of the people you mention during the interviews will never be mentioned.
- Any audio recordings and data collected as part of this research will be stored de-identified. Please note that if you decide to withdraw from the study and de-identified materials or data have already been submitted to an archive, it is possible that your data will not be able to be removed. When possible, however, your data will be withdrawn upon your decision to leave the study.

**Contacts & Questions:** If you have questions or concerns about the study, you can contact the researchers at:

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**Consent:** Participation is voluntary. Refusal to participate or withdrawing from the research will involve no penalty or loss of benefits to which you might otherwise be entitled.

By choosing “Agree” below, you confirm that you have read the consent form, are at least 18 years old, and agree to participate in the research. Please print or save a copy of this page for your records.

☐ I agree to participate in the research

☐ I do NOT agree to participate in the research. In this case we thank you for your consideration and we will not conduct the interview.