

Attachments

You are required to attach the following documents to this form:

1. An example of your participant information sheet and consent form, if applicable.
2. Consent document from the organisation your research is taking place, if applicable.

Consent Form

Title of the Study: Overcoming Challenges in TB Tracking: Developing an Effective System for Malawi

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Purpose of the Study:

This study aims to design a secure, innovative, and efficient tuberculosis (TB) tracking system tailored to Malawi's needs. The goal is to improve TB tracking accuracy and efficiency by integrating modern technologies and addressing current challenges in TB management.

Procedures:

If you agree to participate, you will be asked to:

- Provide insights into the current TB tracking processes and challenges faced in Malawi.
- Participate in interviews where you will share your experiences and opinions related to TB tracking and management.
- Review and provide feedback on proposed system designs and functionalities.
- The study will involve 2 sessions, each lasting approximately 45 minutes.

Duration:

Your involvement will take approximately 1 hour 30 minutes.



Risks and Benefits:

Risks: There are minimal risks associated with this study. The main risk is the potential for discomfort in discussing challenges and inefficiencies in the current TB tracking system.

Benefits: Your participation will contribute to developing a more effective TB tracking system that could improve TB management in Malawi. You will also have the opportunity to voice your experiences and influence the design of a system tailored to your needs.

Confidentiality:

All information collected during the study will be kept confidential. Data will be stored securely and used only for research purposes. Personal identifiers will be removed to ensure anonymity in any published results. No patient data shall be collected.

Voluntary Participation:

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. You may withdraw at any time without any negative consequences or impact on your current status.

Right to Withdraw:

You have the right to withdraw from this study at any time without any negative consequences or impact on your current status. If you decide to withdraw, please inform Francis Muwalo on +265 888 208 986, or email muwalofra@gmail.com. Your data will be removed from the study, and any collected information will not be used in the research analysis.

Contact Information:

If you have any questions or concerns about this study, please contact Francis Muwalo on +265 888 208 986, or email muwalofra@gmail.com. For questions about your rights as a participant, you may contact the University Ethics Committee.

Consent:

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the information provided, and you agree to participate in this study.



Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____