

THE MEND STUDY

PHASE 1b, SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEWS: CONSENT FORM

Before completing this form and taking part in the semi-structured interview, please read the participant information sheet. Please contact the researcher (contact details found below) with any questions.

		Please insert your initials below *
1	I have read and understood the participant information sheet dated 19.03.25. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily. I agree to take part in an interview.	
2	I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason by contacting a member of the team (details found in the participant information sheet).	
3	I understand that if I withdraw from the study, my interview responses will not be removed unless I contact a member of the team within 2-weeks from the interview date.	
4	I understand that if I withdraw from the study, my personal data (contact details and survey responses) will be removed, and my words (anonymised quotes) will also not be used in the study reporting.	
5	I understand that personal data such as name, age, occupation, organisation sector and other personal data will be collected in the demographic survey, and some will be collected in the interview.	
6	I understand that the interview will be audio or video recorded and later transcribed using a transcription software/a company.	
7	I understand that data collected will be looked at by the research team working on the MEND study.	
8	I understand that the research team may use my words (quotes) in publications, reports, and other research outputs. I understand that words used will be anonymised (no names used).	
9	I understand that the data I provide will be stored securely at the University of Leeds and away from any personal contact data.	
10	I understand that everything I say/report is confidential unless I disclose information that indicates me or someone else is at risk of harm. If this happens, I understand that a researcher will speak to me about this first.	

11	I understand that anonymised data (i.e. transcripts) will be archived at the University of Leeds for 5 years. However, this will not contain any personal or identifiable information about me.	
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Please complete, sign and date below:	
Your name:	
Signature:	Date:
Name of person taking consent:	
Signature:	Date:

**If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Emma McLorie (researcher)
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 One copy for the research team