



## University of New Hampshire

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Dear Provider:

I am a Program Coordinator at the Institute on Disabilities and I am conducting a research study to find out the if providers are trained in Evidence Based Practiced in children's behavioral health, if there are barriers to accessing training and what areas of children's behavioral health providers would like more training. I am writing to invite you to participate in this study.

This consent form describes the research study and helps you to decide if you want to participate. It provides important information about what you will be asked to do in the study, about the risks and benefits of participating in the study, and about your rights as a research participant. You should:

- Read the information in this document carefully, and ask me or the research personnel any questions, particularly if you do not understand something.
- Not agree to participate until all your questions have been answered, or until you are sure that you want to.
- Understand that your participation in this study involves you completing a survey that will last about 5 minutes.
- Understand that the potential risks of participating in this study are the potential for a breach in confidentiality if you choose to submit your contact information for the gift certificate drawing at the end of the survey. Risks, however, are minimal.

I plan to work with approximately 1,500 participants in this study. You must be at least 18 years old to participate in this study.

If you agree to participate in this study after reading this document, you will be asked to complete an online survey that will take you approximately five minutes. If you agree to participant in the survey, you may choose to be entered into a drawing for a \$50.00 Amazon gift certificate by providing contact information not linked to the survey. Entry into the drawing is voluntary; it requires that you provide your contact information so that we can contact you if you are the winner of the gift certificate. You can complete the survey without entry into the drawing. If you would like to participate in the drawing you will be sent to a separate Qualtrics survey, upon completion of the original survey, to collect your contact information, in order to maintain the anonymity of your responses. Contact information that is gathered will not be stored with your responses to survey questions.

Although you are not anticipated to receive any direct benefits from participating in this study the benefits of the knowledge gained are expected to help in the development of online Evidence Based Practice training courses in children's behavioral health.

Taking part in this study is completely voluntary. You may choose not to take part at all. If you agree to participate and change your mind, you may stop participating at any time. Any data collected as part of your participation will remain part of the study records. If you decide not to participate or if you stop participating at any time, you will not be penalized. Only surveys that have been completed and are submitted will be eligible for entry into the drawing for a \$50.00 Amazon gift certificate.

I plan to maintain the confidentiality of all data and records associated with your participation in this research. There are, however, rare instances when I may be required to share personally-identifiable information with the following:

- Officials at the University of New Hampshire,
- Regulatory and oversight government agencies, or
- The sponsor(s).

Further, any communication via the internet poses minimal risk of a breach of confidentiality.

To help protect the confidentiality of your information, access to research information will be limited to only those who are directly involved in the study. Confidential information will be kept in a secure Box Folder through the UNH Institute on Disability. No identifying information will be collected in connection to the survey questions. Your confidential information will only be used as a means to contact you should you be the winner of the optional \$50 Amazon drawing and will not be published, presented or shared with other parties. Researchers involved in this study are JoAnne Malloy, Heidi Cloutier, Rebecca Searles & Rosie Garvey. Data will be reported in aggregate results. The results may be used in reports, presentations, and publications.

If you have any questions about this research project or would like more information before, during, or after the study, you may contact Heidi Cloutier via email at [Heidi.cloutier@unh.edu](mailto:Heidi.cloutier@unh.edu). If you have questions about your rights as a research subject, you may contact Melissa McGee in UNH Research Integrity Services at 603-862-2005 or [Melissa.McGee@unh.edu](mailto:Melissa.McGee@unh.edu) to discuss them.

If you agree to participate in this study click the link provided to you in the email. You will be asked to verify your age and your consent to participate in this study prior to starting the survey.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Heidi Cloutier  
Program Coordinator  
Institute on Disabilities