

National Income Dynamics Study

Consent Form: Child (0-14) Questionnaire

This questionnaire is to be administered to the mother/caregiver of the child or another household member who is knowledgeable about the child. The child can be present for all or part of the interview. A child is a resident member who is 14 years and younger.

This is a study about household composition and migration, household income and expenditure, employment and schooling in South Africa. This project is run by researchers at the University of Cape Town on behalf of the Presidency of South Africa. The purpose of this study is to learn more about how people in South Africa are faring over time.

As part of this study, we would like to ask you some questions about the child's parents and the child's education, health, income support and government grants. We would like to measure the child's height and weight and we will give you these measurements. If the child is between the ages of 12 and 14, we would also like him/her to complete a short numeracy test. The interviewer will not see the answers as the child will place the completed test in a self-seal envelope.

Before we begin the interview, we want to make sure you understand the following information about the study:

- Your participation is entirely voluntary. You may refuse to take part in the interview, and you may stop at any time if you do not want to continue. You also have the right to skip any particular question or questions if you do not wish to answer them.
- It will take you about 10 minutes to complete the interview. In addition, the health measurements of the child will take about 5 minutes and the numeracy test (for children 12 to 14) will take the child 10 minutes to complete.
- You have the right to ask questions at any point before the interview, during the interview, or after the interview is completed.
- All information collected for this study will be kept strictly confidential. While the data collected will be used for research purposes, information that could identify you or your household will never be publicly released in any research report or publication.
- The intention of the study is to conduct further interviews with you or the child in the future. As a result, your personal details and those of the child will be kept on record in order that you or the child can be re-contacted to participate in future studies that form part of this project. However, we will ask your permission or the child's permission to participate in the survey again each time. Agreeing to participate now does not mean you or the child have to participate in future surveys.

By signing below, you signify that you agree to participate in the study, and that your participation is entirely voluntary.

SIGNATURE of the CAREGIVER

DATE

Fieldworker and supervisor to countersign below if respondent is not able to sign:

SIGNATURE: FIELDWORKER

SIGNATURE: SUPERVISOR

If you have questions about this interview or the NIDS project you can call us at 0800 11 NIDS (6437), fax us on 021-650-5697 or email us at nids-survey@uct.ac.za.

This study has been reviewed and approved by the ethical review committee of The University of Cape Town. Feel free to contact Sharon Apolles, Senate Officer, Bremner Building, email: sharon.apolles@uct.ac.za, Tel: 021-650 2191 should you have any queries or complaints.