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i) participants in dependent or unequal power relationships

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**Involvement of Special Groups and or participants in dependent or unequal power relationships.**

If the project involves the participation of any group requiring special permission (refer to the NIODA guidelines for definition), describe the nature of the group(s), justify the inclusion of people from the group(s) and specify procedures to be used to obtain permission. Please refer to the NIODA guidelines.

ITEM 11. Will the research require the use of existing databases? If yes please provide details. (See Guidelines and Attachment A)

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ITEM 12. Secondary use of data. Please specify sources and what categories of personal information will be used (See Guidelines)

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ITEM 13. Location of the study. Where will the research take place?

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ITEM 14. External approvals. Are these required? (See guidelines)

Please circle: Yes (If yes, a copy of all approvals must be provided to the ethics committee)  
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Details of the external organisation/approver

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Has external approval been sought?

Please circle: Yes  
No (If no, explain why approval not sought)

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Has external approval been obtained?

Please circle: Yes  
No (If no, specify when approval is likely to be obtained)

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(Copies of all applications and approvals from external approvers must be provided with this application)

ITEM 15 Informed consent (See Guidelines and Attachment B)

(Copies of all information and letters of consent for participants and guardians must be provided with this application)

All required copies are attached

Please circle Yes  
No (Please explain)

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- (h) will participants be asked to perform any acts or make any statements which might diminish their self-esteem or cause them to experience embarrassment or regret?
- (i) will any procedure be used with potentially unpleasant or harmful effects either of a physical, psychological, social, legal or financial nature, to the participant?
- (k) does the research involve any stimuli, tasks, investigations or procedures which may be experienced by participants as stressful, noxious, aversive or unpleasant during or after the research procedures?
- (p) are there in your opinion any other ethical issues involved in the research?

If the answer to any of the questions listed above is yes, please explain and justify your response (or state where in this application the explanation and justification is provided).

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## Attachment checklist

- copy of recruitment advertisement(s)
- details of involvement of special groups
- evidence of external institution approvals
- copy of the proposed Information and Consent Forms
- copy of any ethical approval forms requiring signature i.e from parents or guardians
- copy of any approved external Ethics Committee applications required for this research

## ITEM 23. Declarations

We, the undersigned, are familiar with and have access to copies of the National Health and Medical Research Council's *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans*. We accept responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided in this application and for the conduct of this research, in accordance with the principles contained in the NHMRC Guidelines and any other conditions specified by the University Human Ethics Committee.

### RESEARCHER(S)

Name (block letters)

Signature

Date

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## **SUPERVISOR(S)**

**(For supervised research, both the supervisor and researcher must sign the application.)**

In my opinion the applicant has received or will have received the necessary training to undertake this research.

**Name (block letters)**

**Signature**

**Date**

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