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## Online Survey or Questionnaire Consent Form

(Form OL-SQ-1)

**Title of Research Study:** (insert title of study)

**Researcher's Contact Information:** Name, Telephone, and Email (students may use their faculty advisor's contact information if desired)

### Introduction

You are being invited to take part in a research study conducted by (insert name of PI) of Palm Beach Atlantic University. Before you decide to participate in this study, you should read this form and ask questions about anything that you do not understand.

### Description of Project

The purpose of the study is (briefly describe the nature of the study and the purpose of the research in nonprofessional's language).

### Explanation of Procedures

(Briefly describe what participant is being asked to do on-line.)

### Time Required

(How much time will it take to complete each assigned task? A good estimate should suffice)

### Risks or Discomforts

(Explain any risks or discomforts - including psychological discomfort - that might reasonably be expected to happen, and list steps to be taken if harm should come to the participants, including any availability of medical treatment if needed. If there are no known risks or anticipated discomforts in this study, then say it so the participant knows what to expect.)

### Benefits

(Briefly describe the benefits. If there are no direct benefits to the subject, include language stating that although there will be no direct benefits to you for taking part in the study, the researcher may learn more about (insert description). Also, if benefits cannot be guaranteed, ensure language reflects such.)

**Compensation** (if applicable)

(Describe any compensation or credit that participants may receive for taking part in the study. Include an explanation of alternatives to participation when participation is for classroom credit. An option should always be available)

### **Confidentiality**

The results of this participation will be (select anonymous, **OR** if identifiable information is to be collected, select confidential – but NOT BOTH. Describe how you will maintain the confidentiality of the subject, detailing how you will safeguard collected data to ensure anonymity or confidentiality.)

### **Inclusion Criteria for Participation**

You must be 18 years of age or older to participate in this study.

### **Use of Online Survey**

(Indicate whether IP addresses will or will not be collected. See instruction notes under Question 5 of the IRB Approval Request form regarding inclusion of IP address and participation agreement statements.)

Research at Palm Beach Atlantic University which involves human participants is carried out under the oversight of the Institutional Review Board. Questions or problems regarding these activities should be addressed to Dr. David M. Compton, Chair of the Office of Academic Research or Dr. Randy Richards, Provost, Palm Beach Atlantic University, PO Box 24708, West Palm Beach, Florida 33416-4708 [(561) 803-2463].

PLEASE PRINT A COPY OF THIS CONSENT DOCUMENT FOR YOUR RECORDS, OR IF YOU DO NOT HAVE PRINT CAPABILITIES, YOU MAY CONTACT THE RESEARCHER TO OBTAIN A COPY

I agree and give my consent to participate in this research project. I understand that participation is voluntary and that I may withdraw my consent at any time without penalty.

I do not agree to participate and will be excluded from the remainder of the questions.

## Consent Form

### Informed Consent for Study Participation - The Use of Animals for Teaching & Research

Introduction -- This research study is being conducted by Vickie Randall, Rachel Green, and David M. Compton at Palm Beach Atlantic University to determine the current perceptions people hold about research that involves the use of animals. You are cordially invited to participate because your opinion and knowledge makes a difference.

Risks/Discomforts. There are minimal risks for participation in this study. However, you may feel emotional discomfort when answering questions about personal beliefs.


Confidentiality. All responses are anonymous and the information provided will remain confidential. All data will be stored in an encrypted file, reported as group data, with no identifying information. Only those directly involved with the research will have access to the data.

Participation. Participation in this research study is voluntary. You have the right to withdraw at any time or refuse to participate entirely without penalty.

Questions about the Research. If you have questions regarding this study, you may contact David M. Compton, PhD, at 561-803-2463, david\_compton@pba.edu.

Procedures -- You are being asked to complete an anonymous questionnaire. The questionnaire consists of a total of 80 items (statements or questions) and will take about 15 minutes to complete. Questions will include demographic information about you, your own personal views about and feelings toward the use of animals in research and for teaching purposes, and a series of items to learn more about you and your beliefs. There are no predetermined "right" or "wrong" answers.

For all statements or questions, please click on the response of your choice.

\* 1. Do you wish to participate in this research? 

- Yes, I wish to participate.
- No, I decline participation.

## Sample Consent Form.

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## Additional Disclosures (if Needed)