

Participant info sheet

Study about people with disability who go to sex workers



About this info sheet



This is an info sheet for people who would like to be part of a study.



The study is about people with disability who go to sex workers.

A **sex worker** is a person you pay money to have sex or do sexual things with you.



This info sheet will tell you

- What the study is about
- Who can be part of the study
- How you can be part of the study



The information will help you choose if you want to take part in the study.

About the study



The study is about people with disability who go to sex workers.



We want to talk to people with disability about how it is when you go to a sex worker.



We want to find out if it is easy for you to go to a sex worker.



We want to know what can be difficult.



We want to find out why you go to a sex worker.

study

Rachel Wotton is doing the study.

It is part of her work at Western Sydney University.



Rachel has been a sex worker for over 20 years.



She might share what she finds out in this study with disability organisations and others.

Name	
Address	

She will not share your name or where you live.



The study might help make it easier for people with disability to go to sex workers.



It might help staff at service providers better understand the needs of people with disability.

Who can be part of the study



To be part of the study you must

• Live in Australia

• Be a person with disability

• Be 18 years or older

• Have been to a sex worker in Australia before



The things you do with the sex worker must be in person.



It can be things like dinner or talking to each other.



It can be having sex or doing sexual things in any way you like.



It can be getting a nude massage.



It does not count for the study if you do things online with a sex worker.

It also does not count if you watch porn.



You can take part in this study no matter what disability you have.

You might have

- An intellectual disability
- A physical disability
- Mental health issues
- A disability that only lasts for a short time or happens sometimes



It does not matter what your gender or sex is.



Gender means how you see yourself as a person.

This can be different from the sex you were born with.

How does the study work



For the study we want you to

- Fill in a survey
- Do an interview



Survey means that you fill in a form with questions.



Interview means that someone from the study will talk to you.



You can do the survey and the interview.



You can also just do 1 of them.

The survey



The survey will ask you things like

- How old you are
- What disability you have
- Where you live



It will also ask you about how it is when you go to a sex worker.



The survey is online.

You can do it on paper if that is easier for you.



We will not know who you are when you fill in the survey.



Some questions are very personal.

You might want to fill in the survey when you are alone.



You can stop doing the survey at any time if you change your mind.



We only get your answers when you

- Click submit
- Send it off by post.



You can win a \$100 gift card if you do the survey.



It is ok to do the survey if Rachel is the sex worker you go to.

The interview



We want to talk to 10 to 20 people for the study.



You might want to do an interview if

You have many things to share about going to sex workers.

You want to talk about something that is not part of the survey.

It is easier for you to talk about something than to write it down.



Only the people doing the interview will know who you are.

Name	
Address	

We will not share with others who you are and where you live.



You can stop the interview at any time.



You will get a \$100 gift card for the interview.



If we meet in person we can pay for your transport and parking.



You **cannot** do the interview if Rachel is the sex worker you go to.

How you can be part of the study



To do the survey online go to

www.tinyurl.com/2a88zyuk

You must click **submit** at the end to send it off.



When you click submit you consent to the survey.

Consent means that you say yes to be part of the survey.



You can also print the survey and write down your answers.

You can send it for free to this address

Reply Paid 75953 Western Sydney University PASA Research (Rachel Wotton) Locked Bag 1797 Penrith NSW 2751



You can ask Rachel to send you the survey if you do not have a computer or printer.



- If you want to take part in an interview
- Call Rachel on 0402 543 052
- Send Rachel an email at
 20080642@student.westernsydney.edu.au



You can also contact Rachel if you have questions about the study.

More information and support



Western Sydney University said yes to this study.



You can tell them if you have any issues with the study.

You can

- Call them on (02) 4736 0229
- Send an email to

humanethics@westernsydney.edu.au



Western Sydney University gave this study the number H14609.



You must tell them the number if you contact them about this study.

The number tells them which study you mean.



It is good to talk to someone you trust if you feel upset after the survey or the interview.



- You can also call a support service like
- Beyond Blue on 1300 224 636

⊗Lifeli∩e

• Lifeline on 13 11 14

1800RESPECT

• 1800Respect on 1800 737 732



• Blue Knot on 1800 421 468

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