



## L.E.A.R.N. Program Research Confidentiality Agreement

**Researchers and research assistants are ethically bound to maintain the confidentiality of their research participants.** Researchers and research assistants have an ethical and legal responsibility to safeguard private, personal information that is entrusted to them for the purpose of advancing scientific understanding and knowledge.

**I, [print your name], am a member of the WE-SPARK L.E.A.R.N. (Lived Experience Accelerated Research kNowledge) program and agree to the following:**

- I agree to maintain strict confidentiality and safeguard the private, personal information from participant responses that is entrusted to me during my various duties as a research assistant.
- I agree to **only** discuss individual participant responses for scientific/professional reasons with the primary investigators and other research assistants who are officially associated with the project.
- I agree to **not** discuss individual participant responses for any reason with anyone else.
- I agree to respect the privacy of the research participants who have given informed consent.
- I agree to inform the principal investigator or one of the co-investigators if a situation arises during data coding where I recognize the experience of a participant or can identify a participant as someone that I know based on the responses given. I agree to maintain that person's confidentiality. The data from that participant will then be assigned to another research assistant for coding.

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Signature of L.E.A.R.N. Program Member

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Date