**Pop Group Information Sheet**

**Preferences for the Arts Therapies**

We would like to invite you to participate in a study. Before you decide to take part in this study you need to understand why the research is being done and what it would involve.  Please take time to read the following information carefully and feel free to email the researcher to ask questions if you wish.

**What is the purpose of the study?**

This study has been designed to collect information about what people know about the arts therapies and which modality they would choose if they were seeking treatment.

**What will the study involve?**

Once you have read this information sheet, you will be asked to give your consent to take part in the study. It will take around 5-10 minutes to complete the questionnaire.

If you take part, there will be the opportunity to enter a prize draw to win a £50 shopping voucher. To do this you will need to provide your name and contact number. This information will be stored separately to your questionnaire responses.

 **Do I have to take part?**

You do not have to take part in this study. You are free to decide not to take part and you can drop out at any time without giving a reason. To withdraw from the study, just close the browser window without submitting your answers.

**What happens to my personal information?**

Queen Mary University of London is the sponsor for this study based in the United Kingdom. We will be using information from you in order to undertake this study and will act as the data controller for this study. This means that we are responsible for looking after your information and using it properly. Identifiable information will be kept within the NHS Trust site and shared without identifiers with QMUL.

Your rights to access, change or move your information are limited, as we need to manage your information in specific ways in order for the research to be reliable and accurate. If you withdraw from the study, we will keep the information about you that we have already obtained. To safeguard your rights, we will use the minimum personally-identifiable information possible.

You can find out more about how we use your information at <http://www.arcs.qmul.ac.uk/media/arcs/policyzone/Privacy-Notice-for-Research-Participants.pdf>

The NHS Trust will collect information from you for this research study in accordance with their instructions.

The NHS Trust will keep your name and contact details confidential and will not pass this information to Queen Mary University of London. The Trust will use this information as needed, to contact you about the research study and to oversee the quality of the study. Certain individuals from Queen Mary University of London and regulatory organisations may look at your research records to check the accuracy of the research study.  Queen Mary University of London will only receive information without any identifying information. The people who analyse the information will not be able to identify you and will not be able to find out your name or contact details.

**What are the possible benefits of taking part?**

There is no immediate definite benefit to taking part in this research. You will be helping us to gain an understanding of people’s attitudes towards the arts therapies.

**What are the possible disadvantages of taking part?**

This is a brief survey and we believe that it is safe for you to take part. However, if you feel uncomfortable or decide you do not want to participate, you can stop the questionnaire at any time.

 **Who is sponsoring and funding the research?**

Queen Mary University of London is sponsoring this research and it is funded by East London NHS Foundation Trust (ELFT).

**Who has reviewed this study?**

The Research Ethics Committee of South Central - Oxford C Research Ethics Committee have approved this study (REC:18/SC/0701).

 **What will happen with the results of the study?**

The results of the study will be submitted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal, and be a part of the Chief Investigator's (CI) PhD thesis.

**What if there is a problem?**

If you have any concerns about this study, you should speak to the researcher.

Or contact Emma Windle (CI), who can be reached at e.h.windle@qmul.ac.uk.

If you wish to complain formally, you can do this by contacting the Patient Advisory Liaison Service (PALS):

Queen Mary University of London has agreed that if you are harmed as a result of your participation in the study, you will be compensated, provided that, on the balance of probabilities, an injury was caused as a direct result of the intervention or procedures you received during the course of the study. These special compensation arrangements apply where an injury is caused to you that would not have occurred if you were not in the trial. These arrangements do not affect your right to pursue a claim through legal action.