

Participant Invitation Email (for Children aged 12-17)

Study Title: Creative Art Therapy in children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

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What is a research study?

A research study is something that is done to answer a question or learn more about people. We are doing a research study about creative art therapy and how it can affect children with some difficulties like you (for example, to make new friends or talk to other people)

Why is this study being done?

This study is being done to investigate whether creative art therapy can help improve the lives of children with the same difficulties like you. If you decide to participate in this study, it will help to answer this question.

What will I do if I take part?

If you decide to take part, you will be asked to fill out an online questionnaire

Your parents will receive an email from your creative art therapist with a link to the questionnaire. You have a choice to fill out the questionnaire if you decide to. Your parents will also get a questionnaire to fill out if they would like to. It will only take around 10 minutes.

Do I have to say yes?

You do not have to say yes. You do not have to be a part of this study if you do not want to be. If you decide to stop after we begin, that's okay too. Your parents know about the study too.

What do I do now?

Now that you know about the study, you need to think about if you want to take part in it. If you have any questions, you can ask the researchers in this study. Your parents have lots of information about the study too.