

# Electronic Consent Statement

## Study Title

Exploring Digital Behaviors: An Online Survey

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## Introduction

You are invited to participate in an online research study conducted by Dr. Jane Smith. The information below describes your rights as a participant and details about the study.

## Purpose of the Study

The purpose of this study is to better understand patterns in digital habits and online activity.

## Procedures

If you agree to participate, you will be asked to complete an online questionnaire that should take approximately 15 minutes.

## Risks and Benefits

There are minimal risks associated with participating in this study. While there is no direct benefit to you, your participation will contribute to academic research in this field.

## Voluntary Participation

Your participation is entirely voluntary. You may skip any question or withdraw at any time without penalty or loss of benefits.

## Confidentiality

All information collected will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law. Data will be stored securely, and only the research team will have access.

## Contact Information

If you have questions about the study, you may contact Dr. Jane Smith at [jane.smith@university.edu](mailto:jane.smith@university.edu). For questions about your rights as a research participant, contact the University Research Ethics Board at [ethics@university.edu](mailto:ethics@university.edu).

## Consent

By proceeding, you indicate that you are at least 18 years old, have read and understood this consent statement, and agree to participate in this research study.

## **Important Notes**

- This document serves as an official record of your electronic consent.
- Always provide participants the option to withdraw without penalty.
- Do not collect more personal data than necessary.
- Ensure that digital consent procedures comply with relevant privacy laws and institutional regulations.
- Make contact information for both the researcher and ethics review board readily available.