

**DEAKIN UNIVERSITY  
PLAIN LANGUAGE STATEMENT AND CONSENT FORM**



**TO: Parents and Coaches**

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**Date:** August 2017

**Full Project Title:** A National Survey of Barriers and Facilitators to Participation in NAB AFL Auskick for Children of All Abilities

**Principal Researcher:** Prof. Nicole Rinehart

**Study Information**

**1. Your Consent**

You are invited to take part in this research project. This statement contains detailed information about the research project. Its purpose is to explain to you as openly and clearly as possible all the procedures involved in this project so that you can make a fully informed decision about whether or not you are going to participate.

If you agree to take part in this study after reading this information, we do not need you to fill in a written consent form. Your consent to participate is given by completion of the survey. A copy of this statement has been attached at the bottom of this page.

**2. Purpose and Background**

This survey aims to find out what parents, children and footy coaches think about the AllPlay footy website and mobile app which have been developed to help children with disabilities participate in NAB AFL Auskick.

We want to hear from parents, children and coaches who may have used the AllPlay footy website and mobile app to understand how useful these resources are.

**3. Funding**

This survey is a collaboration between the Australian Football League and Deakin University. It is funded by a philanthropic donation from Moose Toys. This survey explores how people have used the AllPlay footy website and app and how useful they have found the various resources.

**4. Procedure**

The survey will take approximately 5 minutes for a parent, child or coach to complete. The survey will work on any smart phone or computer with access to the internet.

**5. Possible Benefits**

This project may not provide immediate or direct benefit to you or your family but may provide a better understanding of how useful are online resources which promote inclusion of children with disabilities.

## **6. Possible Risks**

If any of the questions make you feel uncomfortable or you become distressed and you wish to speak to someone about this, please call Tamara May on 03 9244 5084.

## **7. Privacy, Confidentiality and Disclosure of Information**

You can be assured that you or your child will not be identified in any way in the reporting of our results in publications and conference presentations. Any information we collect from you that can identify you will remain confidential and will be electronically stored on password protected computers within the School of Psychology at Deakin University for a minimum of 5 years. If you agree to participate in future research related to this study your data may be stored for a longer period of time in accordance with the ethics attached to the future research study.

Only the research team will have access to this information. All results will be reported in grouped data to the AFL, and as such the AFL will not have direct access to individual survey results.

## **8. Results of Project**

On request, a summary of the study findings can be emailed to you at the completion of the study. Please email: [allplay@deakin.edu.au](mailto:allplay@deakin.edu.au) to request this and provide your email address.

## **9. Participation is voluntary**

Participation in any research project is voluntary. If you do not wish to take part, you do not have to. Participation in this study is independent of and separate from any involvement with the AFL, Deakin University, any sporting organisation or any clinical care received. If you decide to take part and later change your mind, you are free to withdraw from the project at any stage. Any information obtained from you to date will not be used and will be destroyed. Your decision whether to take part or not to take part, or to take part and then withdraw, will not affect your relationship with the AFL, Deakin University, or any sporting organisation.

Begin the survey only after you have had a chance to ask your questions and have received satisfactory answers via the contacts provided at the end of this statement.

If you decide to withdraw your responses from this survey, please notify a member of the research team.

## **10. Ethical Guidelines**

The study will be carried out in accordance with the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007). This statement has been developed to protect the interests of people who agree to participate in human research studies.

The ethical aspects of this research project have been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee of Deakin University. The research will be carried out in the School of Psychology, Deakin University, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood, Victoria 3125.

## **11. Complaints**

If you have any complaints about any aspect of the project, the way it is being conducted or any questions about your rights as a research participant, you may contact:

The Manager, Office of Research Integrity Deakin University, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood Victoria 3125, Telephone: 03 9251 7129; Email: [research-ethics@deakin.edu.au](mailto:research-ethics@deakin.edu.au). Please quote project number [2016-225].

**12. Further Information:**

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