

19 Stories of Social Inclusion

Information Form: Study Participants

Please read this form out loud, if asked, to facilitate access



INCLUSION IRELAND



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Inclusion Ireland and researchers from Trinity College Dublin are running a new research project supported by the National Disability Authority.

The project is about **social inclusion**.

We would like to **invite you to take part** in this study. Before you make a decision to take part, we want to explain:

- Why are we doing this research and
- What will you do if you take part.



Please take time to read this form and ask questions if anything is not clear or you want to know more about the study.



Take time to make a decision to take part.



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This study has been approved by the Research Ethics Committee at the School of Social Work and Social Policy, Trinity College Dublin.



Who are we?

Inclusion Ireland is the national association for people with an intellectual disability.

With this study, we want to find people with intellectual disabilities who are living and participating in the community.



- We want to know what they have done to get where they are
- What has helped along the way
- We want to help them to tell their story.



Who can take part in this study?

We are looking for people who:

- Are 16 years old or older
- Have lived in Ireland for at least 2 years
- Have a positive experience of social inclusion.



As there may be many people who want to take part in the study, we may have to say no to some people.

This does not mean that your story is not important to us, but we can only talk to about 19 people.

What will you do if you take part?

If you take part in this study, you will be asked to do an interview for about one hour. In this interview, we will ask you to tell:

- Your story about social inclusion
- What did you do to have this experience



If you don't want to answer any of the questions, that's Ok.



You can tell that to the researcher and we will ask you another question.

You can make a decision to stop taking part in this study at any time. That will be Ok and nobody will be upset.

You will still be able to take part in other studies with Inclusion Ireland and Trinity College Dublin.



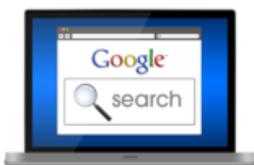
To keep things you say and to use your own words, we would like to audio-record your interview.



Some people do not like being recorded. If you don't like being recorded, that's Ok, we will take notes instead.

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We want other people to know about positive stories of social inclusion. We will put these stories in the Inclusion Ireland website.



We will also ask you if you want to have a short video of your story.



You don't have to do this to take part in the study. You can still tell your story even if you don't want to have a video.

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If we record a video with your story, the video will be at Inclusion Ireland's website for anyone to see.

You will make decisions about what is in the video and only when you are happy with the video, it will be shown to other people.

If you choose to have your video on Inclusion Ireland's website, you can still make a decision to take out your video later.



This is an example of a video about social inclusion <https://www.19stories.org/story-7>.

Are there any risks if you take part?

We don't know of any risks if you take part in the study.



If you feel upset during the interview, we will stop the interview and ask you if you want to continue later or at another day.



We will also ask you if you want to talk to someone about you feeling upset. We will discuss this with you before the interview.

If you have your story with your name at the Inclusion Ireland's website, some people may be able to know who you are and to contact you.



You can make a decision about this when we do the interview and also later on.

Are there any benefits of taking part?

You will not get paid for taking part in this research.



However, we hope that the study allows us to find out:

- What are the experiences of social inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities in Ireland and
- What helped people have these experiences.



We hope this research can help other people who would like to enjoy social inclusion.

Will taking part be confidential?

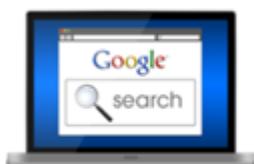


We will keep recordings and written versions of what you say for five years.

Only the researchers from Trinity and Inclusion Ireland will be able to listen to the recordings. You can also ask for your recordings or personal files anytime during those 5 years.

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We will not include your name when we type out what you said in the report.



We will give you the opportunity to have:

- Your story at Inclusion Ireland's website. You can choose to have your name with your story or not. If you choose to have your name with your story, anyone can identify you.
- A short video of your story at Inclusion Ireland's website. If you choose to have a video of your story, anyone can identify you.





When you tell us your story, if we think you or someone else has been harmed or is in danger, or if a crime has been committed, we will have to let the relevant authorities know about it.

We will tell you first, who are we going to talk to.

How will your information be kept?

The information you give us will be stored as follows:



- The consent form you sign will be stored in a locked file cabinet at Inclusion Ireland.



- The recordings of the interview will be stored first in an audio recorder device and then in the computer of the researchers.

- This computer is password protected and only the researchers will have access to it.

- When we type out what you said, we will delete your name and any other personal information that can identify you.



- These transcripts will be kept in the computers of the researchers and only they will have access to them.

- Under freedom of information legislation, you are entitled to access the information you have provided at any time.

What will happen to the results of the study?

We plan to use what you and other people tell us:



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- In a report to the National Disability Authority. Your name will not be used.
- At Inclusion Ireland's website. Only if you want your story and your name to appear, we will include them.
- If you agree to have a short video of your story, we will put that up at the Inclusion Ireland's website.
- In research papers and conferences. Your name will not be used.

Do you have any questions?

- If you want to take part, we will ask you to sign the consent form.
- You can tell us if you want to take part next week.
- You can stop taking part in this study at any time and that is ok.
- Can you tell me what will you be doing if you take part in the study? I can ask you some questions.

Who should you contact for further information?

You can contact:

Inclusion Ireland info@inclusionireland.ie or 01-8559891.

Thank you!