Dear Participant,

You are invited to participate in the research project described below only if you work with members of cultural and linguistically diverse communities in the area of Domestic Violence.

This project will examine behavioral approaches and perceptions of frontline workers who work with CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) communities. The aim is to assess whether a Person-Centered approach may impact levels of service and the clients’ willingness to seek assistance or safety. A survey of your existing program is also sought within the free response section.

Who is undertaking the project?
This project is being conducted by Dr Ebi Cocodia and will form the basis for the degree of Ms Dedeigbo at The University of Notre Dame Australia, under the supervision of Ebi.

What will I be asked to do?
- Complete a short anonymous online survey.

How much time will the project take?
Approximately 20 minutes

Are there any risks associated with participating in this project?
There are no foreseeable risks as each of the professionals surveyed receive professional supervision in line with professional registration requirements. You may participate by completing the anonymous email survey which protects your identity.

What are the benefits of the research project?
General benefits of this project include assessing what works and what doesn’t in our practice and programs for those who have experienced domestic violence in CALD communities.

Can I withdraw from the study?
Withdrawal is not possible after the submission of the completed survey because participants will not be identifiable.
Will anyone else know the results of the project?
Information collected for this survey will be completely anonymous. However the study will be published in a relevant counselling journal yet to be decided.

Will I be able to find out the results of the project?
Results of the project will be made available to the membership coordinator at each association and will be published in a relevant counselling journal yet to be decided.

Who do I contact if I have questions about the project?
Dr E Cocodia- Ebinepre.cocodia@nd.edu.au

What if I have a complaint or any concerns?
The study has been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee at The University of Notre Dame Australia (approval number 014077S). If you wish to make a complaint regarding the manner in which this research project is conducted, it should be directed to the Executive Officer of the Human Research Ethics Committee, Research Office, The University of Notre Dame Australia, PO Box 1225 Fremantle WA 6959, phone (08) 9433 0943, research@nd.edu.au

Any complaint or concern will be treated in confidence and fully investigated. You will be informed of the outcome.

I want to participate! How do I sign up?
You may participate by clicking on the link to the anonymous online survey sent to you.

Yours sincerely,

RESEARCHER NAME/S AND SIGNATURE/S

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