



## ADULT (Age 16+) ONLINE CONSENT FORM V8 03.10.20

### Study Title: Virus Watch

Please  
tick Y/N

1. I confirm that I have read the information sheet dated 03.10.2020 (Version 8) for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily.

2. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason, without my medical care or legal rights being affected.

3. I consent to UCL sharing my NHS number, name, sex, address and date of birth to the organisations NHS Digital and Public Health England.

*NHS Digital holds the data on hospital visits and admissions (called Hospital Episode Statistics data) and deaths, and Public Health England holds routinely collected virological testing data including data from the NHS Test and Trace programme. I understand that information held in relevant datasets and managed by these organisations may be used to provide information about my hospital admissions and results of virological tests carried out in the NHS. I understand that these data will be used for statistical and research purposes only.*

4. If my household is invited to take part in the nasal swab and blood taking part of the study, I consent to UCL sharing identifiable information about me with a logistics company for the purpose of assembling and sending out a study kit to my household, with a phlebotomy company/or NHS research nurse to arrange a blood collection appointment, and the laboratory for the purpose of generating sample barcodes and sharing my test results with me.  
(Identifiable information includes: name, date of birth, sex, address, telephone, email)

5. I consent to taking nasal/throat swabs if invited to by the study team.

6. I consent to providing two blood samples, one in summer 2020 and one in spring 2021 if invited to.

7. I consent to providing a finger prick antibody test if I am unable to provide a full blood sample.

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8. I consent to providing finger prick antibody test if invited to by the study team.
- a. Once at the time of whole blood taking
  - b. One sample 14 days after someone in my household has tested positive to COVID-19.
9. I consent to the blood specimens and nasal swabs taken for this research being stored anonymously (after this study has ended) for potential future research into respiratory infections, the immune response to these infections and genetic influences on these.
10. I consent to downloading the movement tracking App called “Tracker for ArcGIS” onto my phone and for UCL to upload my user information (first name, surname, and email address) onto an ArcGIS online subscription (hosted on a North American server) for the purposes of setting up my tracker app account. A small number of named ESRI employees (the company that runs the ArcGIS tracker app) may also have access to my user information for the sole purpose of supporting the UCL study team in the creation of my tracker app account. The geolocation data collected by the tracker app and my email address will be transferred from my phone to a secure EU Amazon server and regularly downloaded by the UCL study team into the UCL Data Safe Haven where it will be pseudonymised with access strictly limited to named researchers. A small number of named ESRI employees may have access to my pseudonymised geolocation data in the UCL Data Safe Haven in order to support the UCL study team in advanced geo-spatial analyses.
- This app records the location of mobile phones and runs in the background using the telephone’s GPS sensor and proximity to wi-fi and bluetooth hot spots. The app will provide valuable information to understand how COVID-19 spreads but you can still take part in Virus Watch even if you choose not to download the app.*
11. I understand that the information collected about me will be stored by UCL for at least 10 years and may be shared anonymously with other researchers for future research after this study has ended.
12. I understand that relevant sections of my (anonymised) data collected during the study, may be looked at by individuals from UCL, or from regulatory authorities, where it is relevant to my taking part in this research. I give permission for these individuals to have access to these data.
13. I understand that my postcode (with other personal details removed) may be analysed by named staff members of ESRI (the geographical analysis company who are supporting UCL on this project). These staff will be working under strict confidentiality agreements.
14. I agree to take part in the above study.

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15. I agree to be contacted by UCL researchers for future studies. I understand that this does not mean I have to take part in a future study, just that I do not mind being contacted.

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**DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN/GUARDIANSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ANY CHILDREN AGED UNDER 16 YEARS LIVING IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD? IF YES...**

Please tick Y/N

1. I consent to UCL sharing my child/children's NHS number, name, sex, address and date of birth to the organisations NHS Digital and Public Health England.

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2. I consent to taking nasal/throat swabs from my child if invited to by the study team.

3. I consent to my child providing two blood samples, one in summer 2020 and one in spring 2021 if invited to. *Providing a blood sample will give us valuable information about COVID-19 but your child can still take part in the study if they don't wish to provide blood.*

4. I consent to my child providing a finger prick antibody test (if invited by the study team) if they do not wish to provide a blood sample.

5. I consent to my child providing a finger prick antibody test if invited to by the study team.

a. Once at the time of blood taking

b. One sample 14 days after someone in my household has tested positive to COVID-19.

6. I consent to my child's blood specimens and/or nasal swabs taken for this research being stored anonymously (after this study has ended) for potential future research into

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7. I understand that the information collected about my child will be stored by UCL for at least 10 years and may be shared anonymously with other researchers for future research after this study has ended.
  
8. I understand that relevant sections of my child's anonymised data collected during the study, may be looked at by individuals from UCL, or from regulatory authorities, where it is relevant to their taking part in this research. I give permission for these individuals to have access to my child's anonymised data.
  
9. I understand that my child's postcode (with other personal details removed) may be analysed by named staff members of ESRI (the geographical analysis company who are supporting UCL on this project). These staff will be working under strict confidentiality agreements.
  
10. I agree to my child taking part in the above study.