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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Study name:

Exploring Mediating Factors of Long-term Collaborations in Health Data Sharing between Government and Academia Ethics Approval Reference: **MS IDREC 1111309**

Dear researcher,

I am Ghita, an MSc in Applied Digital Health student. I am conducting my dissertation on Government and Academia Collaborations in Health Data Sharing (GACiHDS). I aim to get insights from your experiences that can help draw lessons from, and enhance understanding of, strategies that could apply to new GACiHDS in a similar context.



Study background:

Existing academic literature primarily addresses short-term Government and Academia Collaborations in Health Data Sharing (GACiHDS) initiatives, many of which are COVID-19 responses. Factors mediating the establishment and implementation of **sustainable** GACiHDS, which result in long-term public health solutions, have received **limited attention**. This study attempts to generate initial evidence of those mediating factors.

How can you help:

We aim to interview 10 to 20 members of research teams involved in GACiHDS. In an interview, we may discuss topics such as how the agreement to access data was set up, what people's roles were, stakeholder involvement/frictions, timeline, and key learnings from processes related to funding or data infrastructure to respond to crisis periods and other challenges faced to maintain them.

If you have insights to provide regarding your engagement in this project that could help derive lessons for the sustainability of future projects in similar contexts, are based in the UK, and can provide consent to be interviewed, I would like to invite you to participate in an **online interview** (via MS Teams) for approximately **30-60 minutes**.

Please read the Participant Information Sheet shared when you were contacted for additional information. Please note:

- Participants' interview data will be anonymised in any outputs, and project names will not be displayed. However, you may be indirectly identifiable from project contextual information.
- The interview will not involve revealing patient data at any time.

If you would like to participate, please contact Ghita Benjelloun Benkacem, at ghita.benjellounbenkacem@phc.ox.ac.uk, or if you were contacted through email, simply reply within 1 month. Within a week of sending your response, you will receive a follow-up email to arrange a time for the interview.

Additionally, **if you know someone from yours or another GACiHDS project who may be interested in participating**, feel free to forward them this information mentioning they can reach out to the primary researcher of the study until 08th June 2025 for more information or express interest in participating.

Thank you very much for your help!

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