

INFORMED CONSENT

The project in which you are being asked to participate is titled "Availability of University Health Services for Transgender Students." Its purpose is to establish a baseline of information that can be used as a resource for much-needed medical and other health-related services for this naturally occurring minority of students.

The study is being conducted by Dr. Ted Coleman, Professor of Health Science and Department Chair (Health Science and Human Ecology) at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) and Dr. Alexandra Hall, Staff Physician at Gannett Health Services, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Drs. Coleman and Hall are members of the American College Health Association (ACHA), but this project is independent, i.e., not supported or endorsed, by ACHA. It has been approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at CSUSB.

Your participation in this project is entirely voluntary. You may leave any part of the survey blank if you choose not to respond, or you may withdraw from the study at any time without retribution. There are no known risks, and any potential benefits would be realized by students in the future.

As the expert in your area, you will be asked to provide contact information only for purposes of clarification and/or follow-up; none of your personal information will ever be used in reporting, presentation, or publication. Results of the study will be available after December 2011 if you would like to contact Dr. Coleman (coleman@csusb.edu) or Dr. Hall (amh89@cornell.edu).

If you choose not to participate in the study, you may simply ignore our request; completing the survey (time required will vary, depending on the amount of detail you include) indicates your informed consent to participate. If you have questions or need clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

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