I want to help improve health treatment in Kentucky!

How do I sign-up?

By signing the consent form at your treatment provider’s office, you may be eligible to participate in the telephone interview about 12 months from now.

You will be asked to provide phone numbers for yourself and for two friends or family members who can help find if your phone number has changed. They will only be told that you agreed to be in a UK health study, but no other details will be given out.

Remember, all your information is confidential and will only be used to call you for the follow-up interview. You will not be put on a mailing list or be called for any other purpose than to be interviewed about your treatment experiences and your health.

Your time is valuable!

As a “thank you” for using your time to answer our questions, UK will send you a check for $20 after you have completed the follow-up interview.

CALL US!

IS IT TIME?!

Give us a call and find out! You may be part of the random sample of people who signed a consent form and were picked to complete the UK Health Follow-up Study.

MOVED? GOT A NEW NUMBER?

We’d like to hear from you!! Give us a call so we can update your information.

University of Kentucky Health Follow-up Study

1-866-304-5467 (Toll-Free)
323-5467 (Lexington area)

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?

-George Eliot
The University of Kentucky Health Follow-up Study is a research project that is used to improve treatment in Kentucky. Over 4,000 people each year agree to participate in the study. You may be eligible if you sign a consent form at your treatment provider’s office and agree to be contacted for a 10-15 minute telephone interview about one year later. A random sample of volunteers are contacted each year for the interview.

**Why should I participate in the health study?**

Each person has a unique treatment experience and sharing this is valuable to researchers and clinicians trying to improve treatment programs. During the phone interview, you will have an opportunity to evaluate your treatment experience and tell us how you think treatment could be made better.

“It feels good to know that you are helping to improve treatment for others.” - anonymous

As a thank you for taking time to talk with us, UK will send you a check for $20 after you have completed the interview.

**Who will see my information?**

Your information is confidential. Your name will not be attached to your responses and all responses are compiled with other participant’s answers.

- Your personal identifying information is kept in a locked, password protected area and only authorized UK study staff may access it to contact you for the follow-up interview.
- UK has a Certificate of Confidentiality from the Federal Government for this project. This means researchers cannot give out your information even under a court order or subpoena.

**Are there reasons why I should not be in the study?**

There are no known risks to the telephone interview. You may stop at any point or skip a question if you do not want to answer it.

**How long is the interview?**

The telephone interview only takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The UK interviewers will start by asking you to evaluate your treatment experiences and to give suggestions for improvements to the treatment program.

You will also be asked questions about your physical and emotional health experiences over the past year.

This is your chance to make a difference by sharing your ideas and opinions about the treatment programs in Kentucky! We want to know what you think.

**Who is in charge of the research study?**

The University of Kentucky is in charge of the project and is not associated with the treatment agency where you signed the consent form.

Robert Walker, L.C.S.W., Dr. TK Logan and Erin Stevenson, M.S.W. direct the research study. The U.K. Institutional Review Board has approved the project and ensures your information is kept confidential.