

VERBAL CONSENT FORM

Consent is given by the respondent through the acceptance to being interviewed. Once the respondent agrees to be interviewed, the interviewers will read the following paragraphs prior to each interview of an Elder:

“Thank you for agreeing to be interviewed regarding the health and social needs of Native Elders. We, as a Nation, place great value on our Elders and we are hoping that these interviews will help us to better understand the needs of the Elders in our community. Please be assured that all of your responses will be kept confidential. Your name will not be attached to any of your responses and you can decline to answer any question that you wish. You may stop the interview at any time for any reason.

The confidentiality of enrolled members and Tribal data is of the utmost importance; therefore, the data for this survey will be collected anonymously by community members with the data stored at the National Resource Center on Native American Aging located at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences, within a locked file cabinet and destroyed after a period of ten years. We encourage you to contact your local healthcare providers if you experience any concerns about potential health problems. A list of health providers in your area is available upon request from (INSERT TRIBAL AGENCY).

The (INSERT TRIBAL AGENCY) is coordinating the needs assessment for our area with technical assistance from the National Resource Center on Native American Aging. If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact (INSERT TRIBAL AGENCY) for more information at (INSERT CONTACT INFORMATION).”

Please contact Collette Adamsen at 701-777-0676 or collette.adamsen@und.edu if you have any questions about the research. Additionally, you may ask questions, voice concerns or complaints to the research team.

If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, you may contact the University of North Dakota Institutional Review Board at (701) 777-4279 or UND.irb@UND.edu. You may contact the UND IRB with problems, complaints, or concerns about the research. Please contact the UND IRB if you cannot reach research staff, or you wish to talk with someone who is an informed individual who is independent of the research team. General information about being a research subject can be found on the Institutional Review Board website “Information for Research Participants” <https://und.edu/research/resources/human-subjects/research-participants.html>