

LUNGeVity: Lung Cancer Stigma Community Based Participatory
Research

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CONSENT TO TAKE PART IN RESEARCH

TITLE OF RESEARCH: CBPR intervention to decrease lung cancer stigma and health disparities

Principal Investigator: Kristen E. Riley, PhD

This online consent form is part of an informed consent process for research, and it will provide information that will help you decide whether you want to take part in the research. It is your choice whether to take part or not. Ask questions if there is anything in the form that is not clear to you. If you decide to take part, instructions at the end of the document will tell you what to do next. Your alternative to taking part in the research is not to take part in it.

Who is conducting this research and what is it about?

You are being asked to take part in research conducted by Kristen Riley, PhD who is an Assistant Professor in the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology with membership of the Survivorship Center at the Cancer Institute of New Jersey (CINJ). The purpose of this research is to study tobacco-related stigma and ways of reducing stigma amongst lung cancer patients. We anticipate 80 participants will take part in the research.

What will I be asked to do if I take part?

If you agree to take part in this research, you will be asked to complete a survey about perceived and internalized stigma you have faced by having lung cancer and information about your tobacco use. All participants will be randomly assigned to receive a different combination of 1 or more mindfulness videos. The survey will take between 10 minutes to 40 minutes to complete depending on the combination of components.

What are the risks and/or discomforts I might experience if I take part in the research?

Breach of confidentiality is a risk of harm but a data security plan is in place to minimize such a risk. Also, some questions may make you feel uncomfortable. If that happens, you can skip those questions or withdraw from the research altogether. If you decide to quit at any time before you have finished the survey, your answers will NOT be recorded.

Are there any benefits to me if I choose to take part in this research?

It is possible that there are no direct benefits to you for taking part in this research. By sharing your own experiences, you will be contributing to general knowledge related to cancer treatment. Participation in mindfulness interventions have been shown to decrease stigma and the negative impacts of stigma, and is anticipated to ameliorate any mild discomfort experienced by participants.

Will I be paid to take part in this research?

Participants will be compensated with \$40 in Amazon gift cards when the survey is completed in full. Your email address will be collected in the initial eligibility questionnaire. You will be emailed a link to the gift card within 2 weeks of completing the survey.

How will information about me be kept private or confidential?

All efforts will be made to keep your responses confidential, but total confidentiality cannot be guaranteed.

We will use Qualtrics to collect and forward your responses to us. We will receive your name, age, email address, and information about your doctor, which the research team will use to identify you. We will save your responses to a secure, web-based platform (i.e., Qualtrics) that only research staff will have access to.

We will keep identifiable information needed for compensation (e.g., age and email address). Once gift cards are distributed, your identifiable information will be destroyed.

We will keep identifiable information needed for lung cancer diagnosis confirmation (i.e., your name and your doctor's name). Once recruitment ends and your lung cancer diagnosis is confirmed, this identifiable information will be destroyed. No information that can identify you will appear in any professional presentation or publication.

What will happen to information I provide in the research after the research is over?

After information that could identify you has been removed, de-identified responses may be used by or distributed to investigators for other research without obtaining additional informed consent from you.

What will happen if I do not want to take part or decide later not to stay in the research?

Your participation is voluntary. If you choose to take part now, you may change your mind and withdraw later. In addition, you can choose to skip questions that you do not wish to answer. If you do not click on the 'submit' button after completing the form, your responses will not be recorded. However, once you click the 'submit' button at the end of the form, your responses cannot be withdrawn as we will not know which ones yours are after identifiable information has been destroyed once the study incentives have been distributed.

Who can I call if I have questions?

If you have questions about taking part in this research, you can contact the Principal Investigator:

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If you have questions, concerns, problems, information or input about the research or would like to know your rights as a research participant, you can contact the Rutgers IRB/Human Research Protection Program via phone at (973) 972-3608 or (732) 235-9806 OR via email irboffice@research.rutgers.edu, or you can write us at 335 George Street, Liberty Plaza Suite 3200, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

Please print out this consent form if you would like a copy of it for your files.

If you do not wish to take part in the research, close this website address. If you wish take part in the research, follow the directions below:

By beginning this research, I acknowledge that I am 18 years of age or older and have read and understand the information. I agree to take part in the research, with the knowledge that I am free to withdraw my participation in the research without penalty.

Click on the "I Agree" button to confirm your agreement to take part in the research. ["I Agree" links them to the questionnaire and "I Do Not Agree" closes the website.]

I Agree

I Do Not Agree