



Consent and Information Release For youth 14 to 18 years of age

Child and Youth Well-being Survey

I understand by participating in the “Child and Youth Well-being Survey”, my responses are being collected by the Children and Youth Planning Table (CYPT) and the Canadian Index of Wellbeing (CIW) at the University of Waterloo to try to make life better for all children and youth in Waterloo Region.

I understand my participation is *entirely voluntary*. All of the findings will be compiled so individuals cannot be identified. I will not be asked for my name or address at any point during the survey. I acknowledge that some questions might be difficult to answer; for example, there are questions about any experiences of bullying I may have had and questions on whether I engage in certain risky behaviours (e.g., substance use). I can skip any question that I do not wish to answer. I understand that all of these questions are being asked because the more information gathered, the better we can understand what life is like for children and youth.

I can change my mind about taking part in the survey and withdraw my participation simply by not submitting my survey. Once I submit the survey, it will not be possible to withdraw consent because there is no way of knowing which responses are mine. The CIW will keep the data file of survey responses for a minimum of 10 years. Survey results will be used to create a summary report. Once ready, this summary will be available to me on the CYPT website this fall.

I give the CIW at the University of Waterloo permission to collect my responses, to compile them in a summary report, and to share it with CYPT and its partners.

Given the information above:

By providing my consent, I am not waiving my legal rights nor releasing the investigator(s) or involved institution(s) from their legal and professional responsibilities. I hereby give permission to use, collect, store, and dispose of my information for the following uses: **(1) to help improve the quality of life of children and youth in Waterloo Region (2) to develop a report that reflects the needs of children and youth, and assists in addressing gaps; and (3) to be used by the Canadian Index of Wellbeing at the University of Waterloo to further research on well-being.**

This study has been reviewed and received ethics clearance through a University of Waterloo Research Ethics Committee (ORE# 43196). If you have questions for the Committee contact the Office of Research Ethics, at 1-519-888-4567 ext. 36005 or ore-ceo@uwaterloo.ca.

I confirm that I have read the information on the page linked to this consent and release form and understand the proposed uses of the survey information. I understand and accept these conditions related to the Child and Youth Well-being Survey.



Accept
and Start
Survey