# EVALUATION OF THE LAYERED CONTINUUM FOR UNDERSTANDING HARMFUL SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR: FRONTLINE WORKER EXPERIENCES AND INTER-RATER RELIABILITY USING THE CONTINUUM



#### WHAT IS THE PROJECT ABOUT?

The Australian Centre for Child Protection (ACCP) is wanting to connect with individuals working with children, young people, and families, particularly those interacting with and responding to harmful sexual behaviours (HSB). The aim of this project is to evaluate the Layered Continuum for understanding HSB ("layered continuum"; Paton & Bromfield, 2022, 2024), which uses a step-by-step and layered approach to guide understanding and response to a range of sexual behaviours.

Evaluation and validation is an important step in making sure that practice tools are working in the way they are intended to support understanding and decision-making.

We are seeking participants who are frontline workers and practitioners, who interact with and respond to HSB as part of their role, to complete an online survey about using a layered continuum approach to assess sexual behaviours.

#### WHAT DOES THIS PROJECT INVOLVE?



As part of this research, you will be asked to complete some basic information about yourself and your professional role, review case vignettes using the layered continuum, and reflect on your experience using the continuum.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS IF I TAKE PART?

As part of this research, the first 100 participants who complete the survey will be offered a \$10 gift card for their participation.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS IF I TAKE PART?

There are no anticipated risks beyond those encountered as part of your work and professional role. If you feel upset at any point, the Participant Information Sheet includes a list of services you can get in touch with for more support.

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO INFORMATION ABOUT ME?

If you agree to take part, your information will be collected and kept private by the research team. The information collected is confidential. Your details will be stored securely, and only the research team will see them. No identifying information will be published.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION AND WHO TO CONTACT

If you are keen to participate, please click the link below and read the Participant Information Sheet for more information and what's involved.

#### https://unisasurveys.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/ SV\_4Hm0DfzHDM5Jhci

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