

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

Long-term Follow-up of Opiate Users in California

You are asked to participate in a research study conducted by Christine Grella, Ph.D., from the Integrated Substance Abuse Programs (ISAP) at the University of California, Los Angeles. You are selected as a possible participant in this study because you have previously participated in a study on your participation in methadone treatment in 1978-1980 (led by M. Douglas Anglin, Ph.D. at UCLA) and the present study is a long-term follow-up of participants in the earlier study. Your decision to participate or not participate in the research study is completely VOLUNTARY and will not affect your eligibility for public services or parole, if applicable.

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

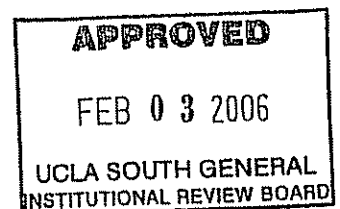
The purpose of the study is to obtain a better understanding of the effects of heroin use over the life course, particularly whether those effects differ for men and women. We want to know more about the longitudinal patterns and consequences of heroin use, its treatment, and the recovery process. Your life experiences are important for us to understand the topic better, which can help to improve the methods by which treatment and health-care services for heroin-dependent individuals are designed and implemented at different stages of the life course.

PROCEDURES INVOLVED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE STUDY

You will be asked to complete an in-depth interview, which will require approximately four to five hours of your time. The interview may be conducted in more than one session. The interview sessions will be conducted in a private interview room at UCLA or at another location mutually agreed upon by you and the study staff. The interview will include questions about your drug use history, family relationships, treatment history, criminal history, interactions with the criminal justice system, sexual experiences, physical health status, HIV status, and mental health status.

You will be asked to allow research staff to obtain information about you from the following sources:

- California Alcohol and Drug Data System (CADDSS)
- California Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) records
- California Department of Mental Health (DMH) records
- California Department of Justice (DOJ) records
- research files from the original study.



The information obtained by research staff may include:

- address, phone number, and other contact information;
- records from the Social Security Administration data, in order to track survival rates of all participating subjects; and
- legal status from official records of California criminal justice agencies, including arrests, incarcerations, paroles, probations, and other periods of legal supervision (e.g., federal parole).

Your decision whether or not to consent to allow research staff to access these records will not affect your participation in this study.

You will be asked to fill out a Locator Form (see attached) that includes questions about things like your nickname, driver's license number, where you live, who lives with you, and telephone numbers where you can be contacted. The information on the Locator Form may be used to contact you by letter and/or by phone for future follow-up interviews.

If you are not incarcerated, you will also be asked to provide a urine sample. The urine sample will be tested for the presence of alcohol, marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, benzodiazepines, and opiates. You may still participate in the interview regardless of whether or not you agree to provide a urine sample.

POTENTIAL RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS

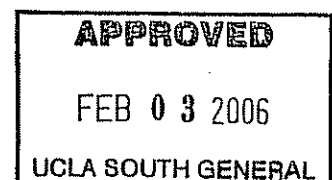
There is a possible risk that you may feel embarrassed or uncomfortable as a result of discussing personal topics in the interview, in particular regarding questions about your drug use, sexual behavior, family life, or criminal behavior. You may omit or refuse to answer any questions that you do not wish to answer, for any reason. You do not need to give a reason. Skipping some questions will not change your payment.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO PARTICIPANTS AND/OR TO SOCIETY

You will not directly benefit from your participation in this research study. Society benefits in that the research findings may help to improve methods by which drug treatment and health services for heroin-dependent individuals are designed and implemented.

PAYMENT FOR PARTICIPATION

If you are not incarcerated, you will receive payment of \$100 for the interview; you will receive an additional \$25 if you travel to UCLA to complete the interview; you will receive \$5 if you provide a urine sample. If you decide to withdraw from the study or



are withdrawn by the investigator before you finish the interview, you will be paid at a rate of \$20 per hour.

If you are incarcerated, you will be paid \$10 for your participation, via money orders to the institution to deposit in your trust account.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Confidentiality of the data provided will be protected at all times in the following ways: Interviewers are required to take all possible measures to protect the confidentiality of the participants' responses. All data reported in publications or reports will be in aggregate form, meaning that no individual will be identified. Data will be kept in locked files at the research office and all data collection materials will be identified by a code number only. The code key with subject names will be accessible only to the Principal Investigator or immediate research staff.

This research is covered by a Certificate of Confidentiality issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). This Certificate will protect the investigators from being forced to release any research data in which you are identified, even under a court order or subpoena. This protection, however, does not prohibit the investigators from voluntarily reporting information about suspected or known sexual or physical abuse of a child or a subject's threatened violence to self or others. If any member of the program staff has or is given such information, it will be reported to officials.

PARTICIPATION AND WITHDRAWAL

Your decision to participate or not participate in the research study is completely VOLUNTARY and will not affect your eligibility for public services or parole, if applicable. If you volunteer to be in this study, you may withdraw at any time without consequences or penalty of any kind. You may refuse to answer any questions you don't want to answer and still remain in the study. Your decision whether or not to consent to allow research staff to access your records will also not affect your participation in this study. The investigator may withdraw you from this research if circumstances arise which warrant doing so, such as if you act violently or appear to be out of control during the course of the interview. If you are not incarcerated, you will also be asked to provide a urine sample. You may still participate in the interview regardless of whether or not you agree to provide a urine sample.

IDENTIFICATION OF INVESTIGATORS

If you have any questions or concerns about the research, feel free to contact Christine Grella, Principal Investigator. She can be reached at the UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Programs, 1640 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 200, Los Angeles, California 90025, (310) 267-5451, during business hours.

RIGHTS OF RESEARCH SUBJECTS

You may withdraw your consent at any time and discontinue participation without penalty. You are not waiving any legal claim, rights, or remedies because of your participation in this research study. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, contact the Office for Protection of Research Subjects, UCLA, Box 951694, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1694, (310) 825-8714.

PERMISSION TO CONTACT SUBJECTS FOR FUTURE ADDITIONAL RESEARCH

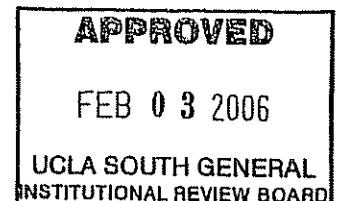
- Yes, I agree to allow the researchers to contact me in the future for follow-up interviews for this study.
- No, I do not wish to be contacted in the future.

PERMISSION TO OBTAIN RECORD INFORMATION

- I agree to allow research staff to obtain information about me from the California Alcohol and Drug Data System, DMV records, DOJ records, DMH records, and the research files from the original study.
- I do NOT agree to allow research staff to obtain information about me from the California Alcohol and Drug Data System, DMV records, DOJ records, DMH records, and the research files from the original study.

PERMISSION TO OBTAIN URINE SAMPLE

- I agree to provide a 50 ml urine sample. I understand that the results will be used for research purposes only.
- I do not wish to provide a urine sample.
- Not applicable (incarcerated)



SIGNATURE OF RESEARCH PARTICIPANT

I understand the procedures described above. My questions have been answered to my satisfaction, and I agree to participate in this study. I have been given a copy of this form.

Name of Participant

Signature of Participant

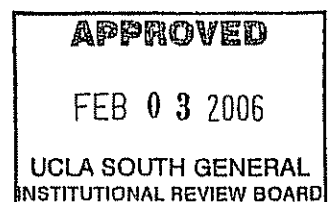
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SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR OR APPROVED DESIGNEE

In my judgment the participant is voluntarily and knowingly giving informed consent and possesses the legal capacity to give informed consent to participate in this research study.

Signature of Investigator or Approved Designee

Date



**PERMISSION TO OBTAIN ADDRESS INFORMATION
FROM CREDIT BUREAUS**

Please check the appropriate box and sign below:

I agree to allow researchers to obtain my address information from credit reporting agencies.

I do NOT agree to allow researchers to obtain my address information from credit reporting agencies.

Signature of Subject

Name of Subject

Signature of Subject

Date

