

Proxy Consent Form

Project Title: An evaluation of RBC Enrich for building connection with people with dementia.

This study has been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee at Western Sydney University. The ethics reference number is: H17037

I hereby consent to participate in the above-named research project.

I acknowledge that:

- I have read the participant information sheet (or where appropriate, have had it explained to me) and have been given the opportunity to discuss the information and my involvement in the project with the researcher/s.
- The procedures required for the project and the time involved have been explained to me, and any questions I have about the project have been answered to my satisfaction.

I consent to:

- A Whiddon staff member completing observational wellbeing measures (examining quality of life and mood) at four time points (before, during and after the implementation of the Memory Bridge program).
- You are consenting for this information, and general demographic information data (e.g. dementia diagnosis, gender, age, length of time at Whiddon) to be shared confidentially by Whiddon to a member of the research team at Western Sydney University.

- I opt-in for the following optional aspects of the research (tick the option that applies):

☐ **Four video recordings:** of a 15-minute resident/staff interaction before, during and after Memory Bridge program (optional; select if it applies) **OR**

☐ **Four audio recording only:** of a 15-minute resident/staff interaction before, during and after the Memory Bridge program (optional; select if it applies)

I consent for my data and information provided to be used in this project and other related projects for an extended period of time.

I understand that my involvement is confidential, and that the information gained during the study may be published and stored for other research use but no information about me will be used in any way that reveals my identity.

I understand that I can withdraw from the study at any time without affecting my relationship with the researcher/s, the University and any organisations involved, now or in the future.

Signed:

Name:

Date:

Privacy Notice

Western Sydney University staff and students conduct research that may require the collection of personal and/or health information from research participants.

The University's Privacy Policy and Privacy Management Plan set out how the University collects, holds, uses and discloses personal or health information. Further details about the use and disclosure of this information can be found on the [Privacy at Western Sydney webpage](#).

What if I have a complaint?

If you have any complaints or reservations about the ethical conduct of this research, you may email the Ethics Committee through Research Services:

humanethics@westernsydney.edu.au.

Any issues you raise will be treated in confidence and investigated fully, and you will be informed of the outcome.