1. I agree to participate in the project named above.
2. I have read and understood the Information Sheet for this study.
3. The nature and possible effects of this study have been explained to me to my satisfaction.
4. I understand that the study involves participation in a focus group, the particulars of which have been explained to me.
5. I understand that there are no foreseeable risks involved in participating in this project.
6. I understand that all research data will be securely stored on the University of Tasmania premises for at least five years.
7. I understand that the data will be kept for a minimum of 5 years from the last publication arising from this research and maintained in password protected computer files on secure servers behind institutional firewalls, and locked cabinets.
8. I agree/do not agree [cross out whichever does not apply] to have my data (including transcripts, and related electronic/paper files) banked for an unspecified period. The implications associated with having the data banked (e.g. the data will be available to the research team indefinitely) have been explained to me to my satisfaction. I understand that if I choose not to have the data banked it will be destroyed after 5 years.
9. I understand that data may be used for other related research purposes, subject to appropriate ethics approvals.
10. Any questions that I have asked have been answered to my satisfaction.
11. I agree that research data gathered from myself for the study may be published for research or educational purposes provided that I cannot be identified as a participant (i.e. I will be assigned a pseudonym).
12. I understand that the researcher will keep my identity confidential and that any information I supply to the researcher will be used only for the purposes of the research or education.
13. I understand that the focus groups will be recorded. I understand that participants will be asked to not record the discussion, to keep discussions confidential and to ensure that others in the immediate surrounds cannot hear the discussion if participation is through video conferencing. However, researchers cannot guarantee that participants will do as advised.
14. I understand that there is no financial cost involved in my participation in this research project.
15. I agree to my participation in this investigation and understand that I may withdraw at any time without any effect, and if I so wish, may request that any data supplied to date be withdrawn from the research provided that this request is submitted before the publication process begins (expected September 2020). If I choose to withdraw, I acknowledge that it may not be possible to remove all of my comments from the transcript of the focus group, because it is not always possible to identify individual speakers in focus group transcripts.
16. I understand that I will be offered the opportunity to review the key themes of the discussion before these data are published.
Name of Participant:______________________________________________________________________________
Signature:________________________________________________________________________________________
Date:___________________________________________________________________________________________

**Statement by Investigator**

I have explained the project & the implications of participation in it to this volunteer and I believe that the consent is informed and that he/she understands the implications of participation.

If the Investigator has not had an opportunity to talk to participants prior to them participating, the following must be ticked.

☐ The participant has received the Information Sheet where my details have been provided so participants have the opportunity to contact me prior to consenting to participate in this project.

Name of investigator  ____________________________________________________________
Signature of investigator ________________________________  ______________________
Date ________________________________