

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET
(Interview Only)

Title	Predicting and Promoting Sub-acute Aphasia Recovery
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Location	The University of Queensland

You are invited to participate in this research project.

We are conducting a study on language problems in people who have had a stroke.

Your participation is voluntary.

You do not have to do this research. It is your choice.

1. What is the aim of this research?

- We want to know how people with aphasia feel about aphasia recovery after stroke.
- We want to know how people with aphasia have received information about their aphasia recovery.
- We want to know the best way to talk about aphasia recovery and how much better aphasia might get after stroke.

2. Why is this research important?

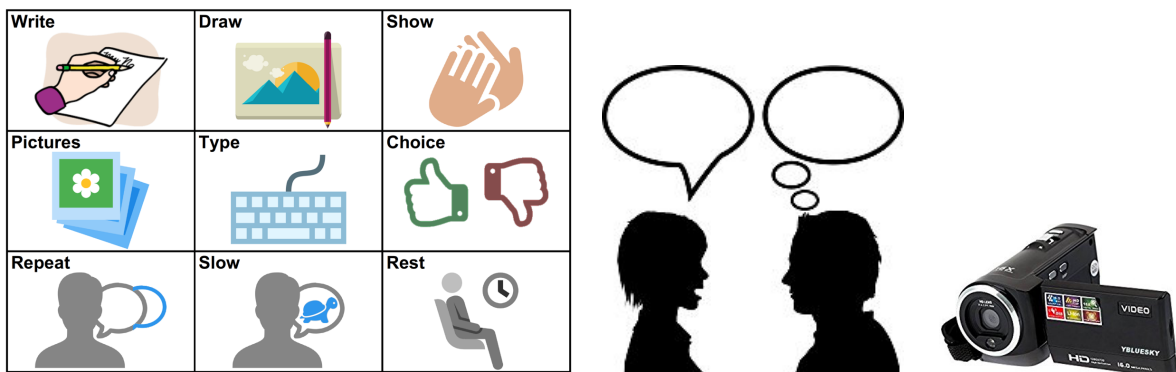
- We want to increase our understanding of how aphasia recovery works after stroke.
- We want to increase our understanding of how information about aphasia recovery affects people living with aphasia.
- We want to improve healthcare services for people living with aphasia after stroke.

3. How does this research benefit me?

- You will not directly benefit from the interview, but you may gain a better understanding of your aphasia recovery.
- The main benefit will be in helping us understand more about aphasia recovery and how to provide information about aphasia recovery.

4. What will I have to do if I agree to participate?

- You will have **one interview with a researcher**.
- The researcher will ask you questions **about your aphasia recovery** and the **information you received about how much better you might get**.
- During the interview, we can **support communication using pictures**, writing and other strategies.
- The interview will be **video recorded**. This will make sure we have your full responses recorded accurately.
- Before the interview, we will **check your level of aphasia**. We will complete one **language test**, or we may **ask your speech pathologist or doctor** for this information.



5. How long will it take?

- The interview will take about **30 minutes**.
- The language test will take about 30 minutes, or we may ask your speech pathologist or doctor for your recent language test results.



6. Where will it take place?

- The interview will take place at your preferred location, which can be:
 - Your own **home**
 - The **University of Queensland**, St Lucia
 - The **University of Queensland Centre for Clinical Research**, Herston



7. Are there any risks associated with this research?

- There are **no risks** associated with the interview or language test.
- If you feel uncomfortable talking about any part of your aphasia or stroke, **you can stop the interview at any time.**

8. What medical information will be required?

- The researchers will ask you about **your stroke** (e.g. when did you have your stroke) and general health.
- The researchers will check **your level of aphasia.**
- We may ask your speech pathologist or doctor for this information.

9. Will my privacy be protected?

- Your privacy and confidentiality will be maintained at all times.
- Your information will be de-identified and stored safely in a locked filing cabinet and on password-protected computers at The University of Queensland.
- Your information will only be accessed by researchers on this study.
- Study results that are published will not reveal your identity.
- We will tell you about publications arising from this study.

10. What if I change my mind once I have started the study?

- Your participation in this study is voluntary.
- You are free to withdraw from the study, including all your data, at any time. Withdrawing from the study will not affect your relationships with the staff at The University of Queensland or your treating therapists.

11. What if I have questions about the project?



We are happy to give you more information.



If you have any questions about this research please contact:

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If you would like to participate in an interview, please contact:

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Thank you for your interest in this research project.

This research has been reviewed and approved by the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital Human Research Ethics Committee, and The University of Queensland Medical Research Ethics Committee. You are free to discuss your participation in this study with project staff (33465579). Should you wish to discuss the study in relation to your rights as a participant, or should you wish to make an independent complaint, you can contact the Coordinator or Chairperson, Human Research Ethics Committee, Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital, Herston, Qld, 4029 or telephone (07) 3646 5490. Alternatively, you may contact either the University Ethics Officer on 3365 3924 or the Hospital Research Secretariat on 3163 1585, should you wish to speak to an ethics officer not involved in the study.