**Information Sheet – Participants who are survivors of stroke with and/or without aphasia**

Title of Project:

Co-creating a dance intervention for stroke survivors

Lay title: Designing a dance intervention for stroke survivors

Investigator:

 Dr Anne Hill – The University of Queensland, Australia.

You are invited to take part in stroke research

Stroke can result in difficulties with:

Balance

Co-ordination of legs and arms

Stroke can also reduce opportunities for

Social engagement

What this research is about?

We would like to co-design a dance intervention for survivors of stroke with or without aphasia.

Aphasia is a communication disorder. It can be hard for people with aphasia to:

 Listen

 Write

 Read

We want to design this **dance intervention** with collaboration with professionals who work with stroke survivors (e.g., Physiotherapy, Speech Pathologists) and dance teachers.

What would I need to do?

You will need to **sign a consent form**. 

You will participate in an **online small group discussion**. We will ask you what you think about partner dance styles and want you would want from a dance intervention.

These online sessions will be video recorded for data analysis.

The research will not cost you any money

You will be offered a **$120 gift voucher** to cover costs associated with participating.

Where will the research take place? 

The group discussion will take place online via **Zoom videoconferencing**. We will help you to set your computer for using Zoom. You can also have a friend or family member assist you during the meeting.

The group discussions will take **no longer than two (2) hours.**

What will happen to the information that I give?

All information will be kept:

* On a secure computer server at The University of Queensland
* **Safe**
* **Confidential**
* Information will be stored for 5 years. We will use a shredder for paper files and permanently delete all digital files after this time.

Are there any risks?

Three is **no danger** in doing this research. If you become fatigued during the online session, you can have a break.

Are there any benefits?

 This study may help improve stroke recreational services.

**This research is not therapy.** There may be no direct benefit to you.

What if I decide I do not want to be involved?

* You do not have to participate. **It is your choice.**
* You can **change your mind**
* You can ask questions at any time.
* You can **stop any time** 
* Say no will not affect your relationship with the researchers or The University of Queensland
* To stop doing the research:

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Who have approved this research?

This study has been cleared by one of the human ethics committees of The University of Queensland (approval number XXXX). This is in accordance with the guidelines from the National Health and Medical Research Council.

**What if I have a complaint?**

You can discuss your participation in this study with Dr Anne Hill (speech pathologist):

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If you would like to speak to an officer of the University not involved in the study, you may contact the **Ethics Officer: 07 3365 3924**

**What if I have more questions?**

I am happy to give you more information. Please contact Anne Hill

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