Down Syndrome Family Research Study

"My Kid Has More Chromosomes Than Yours!": The Journey to Resilience and Hope in Parenting a Child with Down Syndrome

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What is Required?

The research will be conducted through the following online survey questionnaire and will require approximately 30-45 minutes of your time.

Some participants will be invited to provide additional information in a follow-up interview. If selected for a follow-up interview, phone interviews will be conducted that will require approximately 60-90 minutes of your time. Interview participants will receive a small incentive for their participation.

About the Study

This research project will include online surveys and qualitative interviews with parents that will explore the journey to resilience and hope experienced by families with a child with Down Syndrome (DS). This research will identify the key resilience factors in families who have successfully navigated this difficult transition and provide important information and resources for families facing this journey in the future.

Specific questions will ask participants how they coped with their child’s Down syndrome diagnosis, about their relationship as a couple, and their hope and satisfaction with life. In addition, qualitative questions will ask more about their initial response to the diagnosis, their current attitude about the diagnosis, and other specific experiences they have had as a parent to a child with DS.

We anticipate two primary outcomes from this project: 1) academic publications and presentations based on the research data, and 2) a consumer media publication for families with children with DS. The consumer media publication for new parents of children with DS will include the experiences of parents, in their own words, as well as several key resources to help parents in this journey.

Who do I contact with questions?

The researchers are both parents of children with Down syndrome.

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