***The Value of Health-Justice Partnerships***

**RESEARCH SUMMARY**

We would like to invite you to take part in our research project, looking at the impact of legal problems on everyday life.

**Taking part in this study is voluntary and does not affect your access to legal advice**.

**Why are we doing this research?**

Many people have legal problems like housing, benefits, debt and employment that are difficult to sort out. Sometimes these difficulties can impact on daily life. Our research will explore the impact of your legal problem on everyday life and the value of the legal advice you receive from the UCL Legal Advice Clinic in sorting out your legal problem.

**What would taking part involve?**

* Completing short questionnaires about your general health and quality of life, which would take 5-10 minutes.
* We would contact you during the next 6 months to repeat the questionnaires.
* You may be asked if you would like to take part in an interview. This is completely optional and would take about 30 minutes.

**What other information would we collect?**

We will use anonymous information about your legal problem from the UCL Legal Advice Clinic. We will also ask your GP how often you visit them.

**What are the benefits of taking part?**

When we contact you again in 3 and 6 months’ time, you will be offered a £15 highstreet voucher for completing the questionnaires. If you decide to take part in an interview, we will also give you a £20 highstreet voucher as a thank you for your time.

**What are the possible disadvantages of taking part?**

Completing the questionnaires will take 5-10 minutes of your time on each occasion.

**How will your information be kept confidential?**

All your information will be anonymous so you would not be identifiable from it.

Secure systems are in place to ensure your data are held in compliance with safety regulations.

**What will happen to the results of this study?**

Your information will contribute to publications about the UCL Legal Advice Clinic. We hope this will lead to more free legal advice being provided so that other people like you can be helped in the future. You would not be identifiable from any material we publish.

**What if I don't want to carry on with the study?**

You are free to withdraw from the study at any time. Should you wish to do so, please notify the clinic using the contact details below.

**For further information, please contact:**

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**Thank you for your interest in this research**