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## **Consent form: Health and economic records**

We have asked about your health and economic circumstances. To make this information complete we would like to find out

- more about your health and treatment from NHS health records and,
- more about your National Insurance Contributions, benefits, tax records, savings and pensions from data held by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (which now incorporates the Inland Revenue) and the Department for Work and Pensions (formerly the DSS).

We need your written permission for any information to be released. Like everything else you have told us, the information will be completely confidential and will be used for **research purposes only**. It will be used by academic or policy researchers under restricted access arrangements which make sure that the information is used responsibly and safely. As we would like to look at long term trends in people's health, we have not set a limit on how long we would like to keep your information. ELSA has been running since 2002 and is very valuable for looking at how people's health changes over time. Names and addresses are never included in the results. You do not have to give your consent for us to collect this data if you don't want to. Please ask the interviewer about anything that concerns you or you can call the ELSA team on 0800 652 4574. You can cancel this permission by writing to NatCen Social Research, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4LX.

I have read or heard this information and have had the opportunity to ask questions. I understand that all the information about me will be treated in strict confidence and used solely for the purpose of research. Please initial the boxes to indicate that you give permission

## **HEALTH DATA**

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A. I consent to NatCen Social Research passing my name, address and data of birth to the Health and Social Care Information Centre. I authorise The Health and Social Care Information Centre to provide NatCen Social Research with information about my health and treatment held on the Hospital Episodes database. I understand that the information we obtain will be limited to the purposes of this study and will include things like dates of admission and consultations, treatments received, and referrals made. This information will only be used for research purposes. This consent will remain valid until revoked by me in writing.

## NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS, BENEFITS AND TAX RECORDS

B. I authorise the Department for Work and Pensions and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs to disclose to NatCen Social Research information about my National Insurance Contributions, benefits, tax records, savings and pensions. This consent will remain valid until revoked by me in writing.

If you agreed to part B it will help us if you provide us with your National Insurance number in the space provided, but you do not have to do so.

If you give permission for us to collect any of this information please sign below.

Respondent signature

Respondent name

Date

Date

Interviewer signature

Interviewer name



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