

## Information Letter and Consent Form



*Title of Study:* Interprofessional Socialization: Dual Professional and Interprofessional Identity Model

*Researcher:* Hossein Khalili

*Date:*

Dear health program student:

You are being invited to participate in a study conducted by Hossein Khalili, a PhD candidate because you are a student in food & nutrition, medicine, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech language pathology, or social work program.

In order to decide whether you want to be a part of this study, you should understand what is being asked of you and the potential risks and benefits. This form gives information about the study, which will be discussed with you. Please take your time when making your decision and feel free to ask questions.

### **WHY IS THIS STUDY BEING DONE?**

This study is being done so that we can learn how students may develop dual professional and interprofessional identity through improvement of cross-disciplinary collaboration by the use of face-to-face workshops.

Your participation in this study is voluntary.

### **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY?**

The main purpose of this study is to examine the effect of an Interprofessional Education (IPE) program on development of a dual professional and interprofessional identity among cross-disciplinary health program participants.

### **WHO IS CONDUCTING THE STUDY?**

Hossein Khalili, a PhD nursing student at the University of Western Ontario.

## WHAT WILL MY RESPONSIBILITIES BE IF I TAKE PART IN THIS STUDY?

If you take part in this study, you would be asked to:

- Participate in an interprofessional education program that includes the following:
  - 2-hour introductory workshop entitled “Professional Education and Cross Disciplinary Collaboration”:
    - Goals of workshop: To address
      - Professional Socialization and Uniprofessional Perspective
      - Intergroup Bias & Cross Disciplinary Collaboration
        - Social Identity Theory & Intergroup Contact Theory
    - Teaching/learning strategies:
      - Case Study & Group Discussion
        - Unidisciplinary Group
        - Cross-disciplinary Group
      - PowerPoint Presentation
  - 2-hour final workshop entitled “Interprofessional Socialization”:
    - Goals of workshop: To address
      - Interprofessional Collaboration
      - Dual professional and Interprofessional Identity
    - Teaching/learning strategies:
      - PowerPoint Presentation
      - Case Study & Group Discussion
        - Cross-disciplinary Group to develop a Collaborative Plan

\* IPE Program materials including the workshops’ PowerPoint presentations will be made available to students through the IPHER website.

- Complete a set of instruments including:
  - demographic information
  - The Individualism-Collectivism Scale (before starting the first workshop and after completing the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop),
  - Interprofessional Socialization and Valuing Scale (before starting the first workshop and after completing the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop), and
  - Dual Identity Scale (before starting the first workshop, after completing the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshops).
- In addition you may choose to provide a completed reflective journal about your experience in participating in the small group work during the study (N.B. this will be limited to up to only 20 students). This reflective journal will take one hour to be completed and must be submitted within a week after the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop.
- And/or you may choose to volunteer to participate in a one hour tape-recorded focus group session to be held two months following the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop (N.B. this will be limited up to only 20 students)\*\*

\* A random selection of small group discussions will be tape-recorded during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> workshops. Students will have the opportunity to refuse to have these discussions tape-recorded and will be reviewed by the investigator as a source of research data.

\*\* Focus group members are asked to keep everything they hear confidential and not to discuss it outside of the meeting. However, we cannot guarantee that confidentiality will be maintained by group members.

### **HOW WILL PARTICIPANTS BE SELECTED?**

A convenience sample of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year students enrolled in one of the following health programs: Medicine, Nursing (both from the Western and Fanshawe College sites), Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, speech language pathology, in the University of Western Ontario (UWO) and Social Work (King's University College) and Foods and Nutrition (Brescia University College) will comprise the sample for this study.

### **HOW LONG WILL MY PARTICIPATION TAKE?**

**The IPE program components will take 4 hours. Each evaluation package completion will likely take 15-20 minutes which in total will be 1 hour for three times completion. The reflective journal and the focus group which you might be interested to participate in will take one hour each.**

**The total required time for students who just participate in the workshops and complete the set of instruments will be 5 hours over one month.**

**This time requirement for those who choose to provide a completed reflective journal or to participate in a one hour tape-recorded focus group session will be 6 hours.**

**If you choose to both provide a reflective journal and participate in the focus group session, your time requirement will be 7 hours over 2-3 months.**

### **HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL BE IN THIS STUDY?**

Approximately 100 students participating from both UWO and FC.

### **WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE RISKS?**

There are no known or expected risks associated with participating in this study.

### **WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE BENEFITS FOR ME AND/OR SOCIETY?**

Participating in this study may provide you with the opportunity to learn knowledge, skills, and attitudes required for interprofessional client-centred care. Further, this study may provide you with the opportunity to learn with other health professional students in developing teamwork skills to use in your future practice. You may also increase your knowledge and skills on some health care topics and your involvement may lead to better patient care in the future.

A summary and interpretation of your scores to the above instruments will be provided to you upon request to [hkhali15@uwo.ca](mailto:hkhali15@uwo.ca). These individual results might help you to better understand your attitudes, beliefs, and values regarding your ability to work both professionally and interprofessionally in teams.

## **COMPENSATION**

If you participate in this study you will receive \$20 following completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> set of instruments in recognition of your time participating in this study. Participants must complete two sets of the instruments to be eligible to receive the adjusted amount of honorarium based on \$5 for each evaluation series.

A certificate of participation in the workshops will be provided at the end of each workshop. Refreshments will also be served during the workshops.

## **WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT PRIVATE?**

**All the information collected will be kept private. Your information will be viewed only by the researcher, his supervisor (Dr. Carole Orchard). Personal information such as your name will be removed from the data you provide and will be replaced by an ID number. Information will be kept in a secure computer for 5 years.**

**Your group discussions will be audio-taped. You may request to review your transcripts before analysis begins. All tapes and transcripts will be destroyed at the end of the study.**

**If the results of the study are published your name will not be used and no information that discloses your identity will be released or published. Your identity will be confidential and there is no way you can be identified.**

## **CAN PARTICIPATION IN THE STUDY END EARLY?**

**Participation in this study is voluntary. You may refuse to participate, refuse to answer questions or withdraw from the study at any time. Your participation will not affect your academic status or education at UWO and/or FC. If you withdraw from the study, please note that any data collected up to that point will still be used, however no further data will be collected.**

## **IF I HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, WHOM CAN I CALL?**

If you have any questions about this study, you can call the researcher at (519) 661 2111x 81510, or contact through email (hkhalil5@uwo.ca) or mail through the address of H 004 D, Arthur Labatt Family School of Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, The University of Western Ontario, London, ON, N6A 5C1. If you have any questions regarding your rights as a research participant, contact

Office of Research Ethics,  
The University of Western Ontario,  
ethics@uwo.ca  
(519) 661-3036

## CONSENT STATEMENT

### SIGNATURE OF RESEARCH PARTICIPANT

**I have read the preceding information thoroughly. I have had the nature of the study explained to me and I agree to participate. All questions have been answered to my satisfaction.**

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Name of Participant

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Signature of Participant

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Date

### Consent form administered and explained in person by:

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Name and title

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Signature

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Date