

**Growing up with Media**  
**Consent Form for Youth Participants Who are Now 18 Years and Older**  
**Wave 6**

Before we begin, we ask that you read the following consent form. Please read it carefully.

Background/ Purpose

You are one of about 1,600 young people who we have asked to take the “Growing Up With Media Year 6” survey. You are invited to participate because you completed a survey in 2006.

The purpose of the study is to better understand why some young people have healthy relationships while others have unhealthy relationships, and how media may or may not influence this. To understand this issue, some of the questions we ask are sensitive. Topics include exposure to violence including sexual violence, physical and verbal abuse, and related content seen on TV, the Internet, video games, and movies. We also will ask about things like substance use such as drinking and smoking and experiences with sexual pictures. We need to ask these questions so we can better understand why some young people have unhealthy relationships. Your answers will help researchers design programs that will help young people make healthy choices and live healthier lives.

Procedures

[IF NOT DIRECT TO 18+ (Q635/1) INSERT: Your parent or guardian has finished the Adult Survey. Now, it is your turn to complete the Youth Survey.] This survey will take you about 30 minutes to complete.

It is important that you fill out the survey by yourself. You need to be in a place that is private and you feel safe. No one should be able to see your answers. No one should tell you what your answers should be.

Incentives

We will mail you a check or gift certificate for \$35 when you finish the survey. [IF DIRECT TO 18+ (Q635/2) INSERT: If you are eligible to receive the additional \$5 for completing the survey early, you will receive a \$40 check or gift certificate.] [IF NOT DIRECT TO 18+ AND STILL ELIGIBLE FOR EXTRA INCENTIVE (Q5011/1), INSERT: You can also earn an extra \$5 if you complete the survey by 11:59 PM U.S. Eastern time on [INSERT Q1256].]

### Risks and discomforts

Taking this survey will not help or hurt you. Some young people said that some of the questions in the last survey made them upset. You should know that the survey asks you about things you may have seen or done that might be hard to talk about.

### Benefits

Your answers help us learn things that teens and young adults are doing so that we can help them live more healthy lives. Your participation is very important.

### Rights of refusal and withdrawal

Your participation is completely voluntary. You can choose not to be in the study at any time. [IF NOT DIRECT TO 18+ (Q635/1) INSERT: Your parent or guardian also can choose to stop being in the study at any time.] If you want to stop taking part in the study, please email us at [Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org](mailto:Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org). If you choose to stop participating in the study, we will not contact you again. It will not hurt you if you choose not to be in the study.

You do not have to answer any question you do not want to for any reason. Your answers are important to us.

### Confidentiality

All of the answers you give will be kept private. We will not share your answers with your parents or anyone else outside of the research team. Your answers will be kept in a safe place. We will never associate your responses to any personal information you provide. Your answers will only be reported together with others and will not be traced back to you. To help us protect your privacy, we have obtained a Certificate of Confidentiality from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. With this Certificate, we cannot be forced to share information that may identify you, even by a court subpoena, in any federal, state, or local civil, criminal administrative legislative, or other proceedings. We will use the Certificate to refuse to give anyone information that will identify you, except when you tell us it is okay to do so. But in the unlikely event that you tell us that you are currently abusing or planning to abuse a child, or you're planning to harm yourself or another person, then under applicable law we may be required to report this information to the appropriate authorities.

Questions and contact numbers

If you have questions about the study, or any concerns about the study questions, please contact:

- Dr. Michele Ybarra at 1-877-302-6858 or [Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org](mailto:Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org).

If you have questions about your rights as a participant in this study, or if you feel that you have been harmed in any way by taking part in this study, please contact:

- By mail:

Study Subject Adviser  
Chesapeake Research Review, Inc.  
7063 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 110  
Columbia, MD 21046

- or call collect: 410-884-2900
- or by email: [adviser@irbinfo.com](mailto:adviser@irbinfo.com)

Please reference the following number when contacting the Study Subject Adviser: Pro00004131.

If you feel very sad or upset after taking this survey, please talk to someone. You can:

- Call the National Mental Health Information Center for help finding a mental health professional in your area. Call toll-free at: 1-800-789-2647 or visit them online at <http://www.mentalhealth.org/>. The phone call and information is free.
- Call the RAINN (Rape Abuse and Incest National Network) Hotline anytime at: 1-800-656-HOPE, or get help on their online hotline at <http://www.rainn.org/>.

If you are in serious distress right now or at any time, such as thinking about hurting yourself, we urge you to contact the National Suicide Prevention Hotline at: 1-800-273-TALK (8255).

Your consent

Please print out this page with the contact information before moving to the next page.

Please make sure you have read everything above. By selecting “Yes” below, you agree to take the survey. If you choose not to take the survey, we have just a few more questions for you.

Do you want to take this survey?

- 1 Yes, I want to take the survey.
- 2 No, I do not want to take the survey.

BASE: ADULT CHILD DOES NOT AGREE TO PARTICIPATE (Q5100/2)

We thank you for your time and respect your decision not to participate in the Growing Up With Media survey. To help us design future surveys, please tell us why you did not agree to take the survey.