



CHILD ASSENT FORM

This sample is intended to assist researchers on introducing the required elements of an assent form in a way that is considered simple and easy for a child to understand.

Study Title:

Investigator:

Sponsor:

We are doing a research study about (***purpose in simple language***). A research study is a way to learn more about people with a certain condition. We are therefore inviting you to participate in the study. If you decide that you want to be part of this study, you will be asked to (***study description, including estimate time involved in participating***).

There are some things about this study you should know. These are (***procedures, things that take a long time, other risks, discomforts, etc.***)

Not everyone who takes part in this study will benefit. A benefit means that something good happens to the participant. We think these benefits might be (***brief description on what is known***).

If you do not want to be in this research study, we will tell you what other kinds of treatments that are currently available for you. (***This statement applies to research projects that offer treatment or intervention.***)

When we are finished with this study, we will write a report about what was learned. The report will not include your name or that you were involved in the study.

You do not have to be in this study if you do not want to. Your doctor will not be mad at you. If you decide to stop after we begin, that's okay too. Your parents know about the study too.

You can ask anything about the study that is not clear to you. If everything is clear to you and you decide you want to be in this study, please write and sign your name below.

I, _____, want to be in this research study.

(Sign your name here)

(Date)

(Parts in Italics should be modified for your specific project. Other parts may need to be modified as well depending on your research methods. It is very important that the language be appropriate to the subject's level of understanding; if the subject population includes a wide range of ages, it may be necessary to use more than one form.)