



PLEASE REVIEW. If you have questions about informed consent, please feel free to email the HS2HC staff, for further information, at HS2HC@UTM.EDU

This is an overview of informed consent related to parents and children for HS2HC surveys. The purpose of this study is to determine the impact of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center's High School to Healthcare (HS2HC) initiative to inform rural Tennessee high school students about careers in medical laboratory sciences and public health information technology. The study is being led by researchers at The University of Tennessee and The Center for Research in Educational Policy (CREP) at the University of Memphis.

The IRB determined the HS2HC application is eligible for exempt review under 45CFR46.104(d)(1). The application has been determined to comply with proper consideration for the rights and welfare of human subjects and the regulatory requirements for the protection of human subjects. The use of children as subjects is approved under 45 CFR 46.404. In accord with 45 CFR 46.116, informed consent may be altered with the consent disclosure statement used in lieu of an informed consent interview. The requirement to secure a signed consent form is waived under 45 CFR 46.117(c)(2). Willingness of the subject to participate will constitute adequate documentation of consent.

The research is being conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, AND specifically involves an evaluation of normal educational practices that is NOT likely to adversely impact students' opportunity to learn required educational content or the assessment of educators who provide instruction.



As a participant in this program, your/your student's cooperation and assistance with this important research study will be essential to our success. All responses will be kept confidential, and you/our student will not be individually identified in any report associated with this study. Results will be cleaned of any information that could be used to identify you/your student personally and reported only in the aggregate. Whether or not your student completes any survey questions or focus group questions is entirely their choice. No one in this program or at your students' school will know whether they have.

This study has been reviewed by The University Of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) Institutional Review Board. You May Contact Cameron Barclay, MSA, UTHSC IRB Director, at 901-448-4824, or visit the IRB website at <http://www.uthsc.edu/research/compliance/irb/> if you have any questions about your rights as a research subject, or if you have questions, concerns, or complaints about the research.