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INFORMATION SHEET AND CONSENT FORM

Data collection for *seamlessCARE* Staff Matching App/API

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Why the project is being undertaken:

seamlessCARE is a unique care planning system, funded by Enterprise Ireland and supported by NovaUCD. The project began with a video based care planning application developed during a Marie Curie/ASSISTID post-doctoral fellowship.

We are now building a Cloud based, modular system that will deliver a set of apps/APIs to ensure the best possible care for everyone, no matter how complex their needs.

One element of the *seamlessCARE platform* is a unique tool that matches the skills of each carer to the specific needs of each care recipient. We invite you to help us gather data to build this app/API.

Why you have been asked to participate

You have been asked to participate for one of the following reasons:

- You are a health care professional
- You are a health care administrator

Voluntary nature of the research / your right to withdraw

You are free to withdraw at any point in the study for any reason

What will happen if you take part?

You will be asked to submit one or more anonymised CVs or to submit anonymised summaries of care plans.

The benefits of taking part

You have the opportunity to contribute to a project that aims to help people with complex needs where individualised care would be advantageous.

What are the risks?

In light of the Covid 19 restrictions there may be few or no face to face meetings between the research team and test participants. All focus groups, training

workshops, interviews and interactions can be replaced by phone calls or video meetings. You are free to withdraw from the study at any time.

What happens to the information after the research ends?

All the information will be anonymised from the start. No participants will be named and no documents will be identifiable. The documents will be used by the research team and then destroyed after the 18 month project.

How confidentiality and anonymity (if applicable) is guaranteed

The researcher will use codes to disguise the identity of study participants. Full names and identities will not be taken.

Ethical approval

This project has been approved by UCD and Daughters of Charity.

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Thank you for taking part in this research study

Consent Form

I have read the attached information letter which explains the research for *seamlessCARE*.

I understand that the letter is asking me to participate in data gathering.

I understand that all the information gathered will be kept strictly confidential and that my name will not be included in any reports.

I understand that participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw my consent at any time up to the point when the data is anonymised.

I understand that this research will be published in the form of journal articles, submissions for policy change, news articles or media interviews by the researcher.

(Please tick one or more of the boxes below to indicate whether or not you agree to take part):

- I AGREE to take part in data collection
- I AGREE to my data being retained in a secure facility in UCD, or alternative location during Covid 19, during the period of research which is 18 months.

- I DO NOT AGREE to take part in the above research

Signature: _____

Date: _____

(Name): _____