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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

“Neuropsychological investigation of visuoperceptual, visuospatial and literacy skills in posterior cortical atrophy”

PCA Sub-study 3: Individual, pair and small group interviews

You are being invited to take part in a research study. This is a subsidiary study to the “Neuropsychological investigation of visuoperceptual, visuospatial and literacy skills in posterior cortical atrophy” study in which you have already participated. Before you decide whether to take part it is important for you to understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take time to read the following information carefully and discuss it with others if you wish. Do ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information. Take time to decide whether or not you wish to take part.

1. Why have I been asked to participate in this study?

You are being asked to consider taking part in this subsidiary study involving participating in interviews because you took part in the principal *posterior cortical atrophy* study.

2. Do I have to take part?

It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. You are under no obligation, and deciding not to take part or withdrawing will not affect your participation in the main study nor your current or future medical care.

3. What is the purpose of this subsidiary study?

This sub-study aims to gather further information about the impact that visual and other difficulties have had upon you, your family, your relationships and your everyday activities and abilities.

4. What will be involved if I decide to take part?

This interview-based sub-study involves meeting with one or two members of our research team to discuss the experience of dementia-related visual impairment. We will ask you questions both on your own and in conversation with a family member or friend, and may also ask you to consider participating in small group discussions with other people who have similar experiences. We will also ask you to complete a series of questionnaires and rating scales (with or without your family member/friend, as appropriate). We would like to audio record the interviews and conversations on

a digital voice recorder so that the researchers can make anonymised transcripts to assist them in analysing data after the research visit. The interviews will last no more than three hours, and will be arranged at your convenience.

5. **Are there any risks, disadvantages or benefits of taking part in this sub-study which are different to the main study in which I have already participated?** No.
6. **Does the same information about confidentiality, and the outcomes, funders and reviewers of the research apply to this sub-study as to the principal study?** Yes.
7. **Who should I contact for further information?** Professor Sebastian Crutch during office hours on 020 3448 3113.

Thank you for considering taking part in this study. You will be given a copy of the information sheet and a signed consent form to keep.