

Consent form

Project Title: Tikule Limodze (Let's Grow Together): Improving curriculum and teaching methods to influence policy and increase the quality of ECDE provision for children with disabilities in Malawi

Please sign (or place a mark) in the space below once you have:

- I confirm that I have read and understood the information sheet for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these questions answered satisfactorily
- I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time, without giving reason and without my legal rights being affected in any way.
- I understand that myself and my child will be involved with a specialist teacher or community worker undertaking visiting at home and with group work to talk about caring for my child and understand that this means that I will be asked some questions regarding our family and my child's level of development.
- I understand that the data collected during the study may be looked at by the researchers or by regulatory bodies from National Commission for Science and Technology in Malawi and I give permission for these individuals to have access to this data.
- I agree to take part in the above study.

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If able to sign:

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Participant Name (Print)

Date

Signature

If not able to sign:

Thumb print of Participant

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Witness (Print)

Date

Signature

Statement by researcher/ person taking consent:

I have read the above information sheet to the potential participant accurately and answered any questions to the best of my ability. They were also given opportunity to ask further questions about the study. I agree that they have understood the purpose of the research. I confirm that the participant was given opportunity to refuse participation in the study, and that they have not been coerced into taking part. I confirm that the participant has given their consent freely and voluntarily, and they know they can withdraw from the research at any time.

A copy of the information sheet has been given to the participant.

Person taking consent (Print)

Date

Signature