We request your continuing help in our behavioral research project the purpose of which is to conduct a prospective study of life choices. We would like to interview you for about 20 minutes on the telephone or in-person. A few of the interview items are personal and confidential. For example, we will ask if you have ever used drugs. The risks associated with participation are possible embarrassment or discomfort due to the sensitive nature of some of the questions and the risk of disclosure about illegal activities. We do not foresee any significant benefits to you associated with participation. However, we will provide a token payment of $10.00 in appreciation for your participation, and will send you annual newsletters about the study.

Please remember that the results of these tests, like those your family members have completed previously, will be kept completely confidential. Due to both the importance of the research and its sensitive nature, we have been granted a Confidentiality Certificate from the federal government (which you may see if you wish) which protects the privacy of research subjects. It ensures that no one on the research project will release information about you to anyone, even if subpoenaed in any civil, criminal, administrative, or legislative proceeding by the federal, state, or local government. However, you may still voluntarily request that your own data be released. Further, authorized research personnel from the National Institute of Health (NIH) may request information as needed to evaluate the progress of the research to protect against fraud in federal research programs. Issuing the Certificate is not an endorsement of the research by the Secretary of the Department of Health. The exception to the promise of confidentiality is that if information is revealed concerning suicide, homicide, or child abuse and neglect, we will report this to the proper authorities. This is an ongoing study and at this time we anticipate that these data will be maintained indefinitely at the Institute for Behavioral Genetics.

This project is being funded by a federal agency which requires that data be collected in a form that may be analyzed for differences between men and women and races or ethnic groups.

During our testing, we will be happy to answer any questions that you may have, and, of course, you may feel free not to answer any particular questions or to withdraw from the project at any time for any reason. As in previous years, we will contact you again in about a year for a follow-up session.

If you have questions regarding your rights as a subject, any concerns regarding this project or any dissatisfaction with any aspect of this study, you may report them confidentially if you wish to the Executive Secretary, Human Research Committee, Graduate School, 26 UCB, Regent 309, University of Colorado-Boulder, Boulder, CO 80309-4402 or by telephone to (303) 492-7401. Copies of the University of Colorado Assurance of Compliance to the federal government regarding human subject research are available upon request from the Graduate School address listed above.

If after understanding the above, you give permission for participation in this session, please sign below. A signed copy of the consent form will be made available in a timely manner.

I, the undersigned, have understood the above explanations, and voluntarily consent to participate in the research.

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

This consent form is approved for use from 4/30/96 to 4/30/97.

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Executive Secretary, Human Research Committee