

**Information for Patients about the self-completed questions****Why am I being asked to complete further questions in the waiting room?**

Our health centre is taking part in a study to see if we can better help people who might be drinking too much alcohol. You are being invited to complete these questions because you have discussed alcohol with one of your doctors or nurses and we would like to find out more about your experience.

**Do I have to take part?**

Taking part is entirely voluntary. It is up to you to decide whether to answer these additional questions. You are free not to answer any of the questions, without providing a reason.

**What will happen if I take part?**

We will ask you to answer the further questions on your own in the waiting room before you leave the centre. It should not take more than 5-10 minutes. The questions will ask you about: 1) how much alcohol you drink and how you feel in general; 2) what you think about your doctor or nurse asking about your drinking; 3) whether you have seen any information about alcohol in local newspapers or on TV; and 4) your understanding of how much alcohol people can drink. Once you complete the questions, you will hand the answers to a member of the research team in the waiting room. They will be able to answer any questions you might have about the study. When you have given the completed answers to the member of the research team, there is nothing else for you to do.

**What happens with the completed questions?**

A member of the research team will send your answers to a university in Germany (Technische Universität Dresden, [www.tu-dresden.de](http://www.tu-dresden.de)) who will report on all of the results of the study. All information will be handled in confidence: the questions do not have your name on them and no-one will know who completed the questionnaires. All information will be stored securely at the university: computers will be password protected and only members of the research team can look at the data.

**Who are the researchers and who is funding the research?**

The study is funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020 research programme. The research is being carried out by a multinational group from Colombia, Germany, Mexico, the Netherlands, Peru, Spain and the United Kingdom. In [COUNTRY], the research is led by [INSTITUTION].

**Who has reviewed this study?**

The research has been reviewed by [NATIONAL ORGANISATION & REFERENCE] to protect everyone's interests.

**How can I get further information?**

For more information, please contact the national research team at [NAME, ORG, EMAIL & TEL INFO] or visit the study website at [www.scalaproject.eu](http://www.scalaproject.eu).

**Patient Consent Form****Please check box**

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| 1. | I confirm that I have read and understand the information written above and have had the opportunity to ask questions.                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | I understand that my taking part is voluntary; it is up to me whether or not I answer the further questions, without giving any reason. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. | I understand that the questions do not have my name on them and no-one will know who completed the questions.                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. | I have read and understood the information and I agree to answer the further questions in the waiting room.                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Patient consent to further questions

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Name of patient

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Date

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Signature