

Unraveling the Tapestry of Tourette's: A Lifespan Exploration of Women's Unique Experiences and Challenges

The purpose of the research study is to increase scientific and professional knowledge with the goal of improving treatment, quality of life, and understanding of the unique experiences of women with Tourette's or Persistent/Chronic Tic Disorders.

Currently Seeking Participants who identify as a female with Tourette's Syndrome or a Persistent/Chronic Tic Disorder (motor or vocal).

Important Information:

Participation Requirements: Approximately 1.5 Hours (30 minutes of survey completion and 1 hour of Interview)

Costs: Will not cost anything to be in the research study.

What does saying “Yes” to Participating mean?

- You will be asked to complete a series of surveys to collect information about your personal experiences as a female with symptoms of Tourette's Syndrome. Topics include:
 - the menstrual cycle
 - pregnancy
 - menopause.
- We will also ask you to participate in an individual interview over Zoom. The interview will be audio and video recorded, but we are only using the recording to make sure we capture all information accurately. We will delete the video and audio tape once all the interview has been transcribed into a Word document.

Please use the following link or QR code to access the consent form if you are interested in participating in this research study.

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