

Note: The Consent Form MUST be Placed on Departmental Letterhead

Obtaining Informed Assent from Children or Minors

Parents, legal guardians or a legally authorized official **must** sign consent forms permitting children or minors to participate in research projects. In addition, children and minors are required to sign an **Assent Form**.

Language must be simplified as appropriate for the age group used as subjects. The following are two samples of an Assent Form:

Sample Child Assent Forms

I have been told that my parents (mom or dad) have said it's okay (*or, have given permission*) for me to participate, if I want to, in a project about _____.

I know that I can stop at any time I want to and it will be okay if I want to stop.

Name

Date

OR

I have been informed that my parent(s) have given permission for me to participate, if I want to, in a study concerning _____.

My participation in this project is voluntary and

I have been told that I may stop my participation in this study at any time. If I choose not to participate, it will not affect my grade (*or treatment/care - select whichever applies*) in any way.

Name

Date

Form B