

APPENDIX I: SAMPLE CHILD ASSENT FORM

In addition to parental informed consent for minors, the assent of the child should be obtained unless waived by the IRB. Child assent forms must use simple and age appropriate language (sample below). Each research project is unique and the informed consent form should be customized to your study.

We are doing a study to learn about people who tell the truth and people who lie. We are asking you to help because we don't know very much about whether kids your age expect people to lie or tell the truth.

If you agree to be in our study, we are going to ask you some questions about types of people. We want to know if you think they usually tell the truth or if they usually lie. For example, we will ask you if a teacher, parent, or other people usually lie or usually tell the truth.

You can ask questions about this study at any time. If you decide at any time you do not want to finish, you can ask us to stop.

The questions we will ask are only about what you think. There are no right or wrong answers because this is not a test.

If you sign this paper, it means that you have read this and that you want to be in the study. If you don't want to be in the study, don't sign this paper. Being in the study is up to you, and no one will be upset if you don't sign this paper or if you change your mind later.

Signature of person obtaining assent: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of person obtaining assent: _____

Your Signature: _____ Date: _____

Your Printed Name: _____