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To Whom It May Concern,

The American Indian Public Health Resource Center (AIPHRC) is working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), on a research study to help Native American elders stay mobile and reduce the risk of falls and motor vehicle crash injuries. The AIPHRC is looking for Native American elders aged 55 and up to have an open, honest, and interactive discussion to obtain their feedback on the CDC MyMobility Planning Tool. The AIPHRC is looking to interview approximately 25 elders. Interview participants will be compensated for their time and participation in the interviews, and receive a $30.00 gift card.
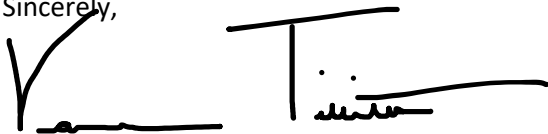
The interviews will be conducted virtually using the Zoom videoconferencing platform from the safety of your own home with your personal device (telephone, laptop, personal computer, iPad, etc.). The interviews will be video and audio recorded. Elder participation in this study is voluntary, and they may choose to answer questions or not. Elders may also stop participating in the interview at any time, for any reason, and they will still receive the gift card.

The interview consists of 51 questions and should take no longer than 90 minutes to complete. All of the information and responses obtained in the interview will be anonymous and no specific individuals or their responses will be identified. Your personal information and responses will be kept confidential and will only be used by the AIPHRC evaluation team to inform the development of a modified CDC MyMobility Planning Tool tailored for Native American elders and communities.

For more information on this research study, or to schedule an interview, please contact Ryan Eagle at 701-421-5976 or via email at ryan.eagle@ndsu.edu, or Vanessa Tibbitts at 605-939-5982 or via email at vanessa.tibbitts@ndsu.edu.

Thank you for your consideration of this research study!

Sincerely,

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