

## Recruitment of participants advertisement

### RESEARCH CALLING ALL PEOPLE WITH AN INTEREST IN CHILDREN

#### Contacts to express interest

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Dear potential research participant,

You are invited to participate in a research study exploring the **lived experiences of women, men and non-binary people, who have a sexual interest toward minors (MAPs)**. The aim of this study is to improve the quality of support and understanding of cisgender and transgender men, women, as well as of non-binary people attracted to children.

My name is Claudia Fiorucci and I am conducting this study for my forensic psychology Master at the University of Derby, in the United Kingdom.

If YOU **SELF-IDENTIFY AS MALE, FEMALE OR NON-BINARY**, I am interested in hearing your own **wishes, thoughts** and **suggestions** to improve the **mental wellbeing** and **inclusivity** for people who live with a sexual attraction toward children. I would like to hear **how you feel** about living with this attraction, how think you will be perceived by the public, mental health professionals and by people within your MAPs community, as well as how this has impacted on your **mental health**. Your personal experiences will allow mental health professionals to provide the appropriate support and understanding and to **remove stigma** around MAPs.

If you wish to participate, you can either do an **audio interview** via a free internet-based software (MS Teams) or do an **email interview**. The interview will take no more than an hour. Your **identity protection** is at my utmost importance. I will **not ask for your name or identifying information**. Any data provided by you will be **anonymous** and stored in OneDrive accessible by the researcher only.

I will not be able to know who you are and no one will. Your **IP address will not be shown** and collected during the audio calls. Any email from you will be stored safely in OneDrive and any identifying information will be removed.

**Please, do not hesitate email me at [100618143@unimail.derby.ac.uk](mailto:100618143@unimail.derby.ac.uk) for additional information or to take part in the study (further details below)**

**You may wish to contact the researcher's supervisor Dr Henry Lennon at [H.Lennon@derby.ac.uk](mailto:H.Lennon@derby.ac.uk)**

Please be mindful that the interview might cause you to feel uncomfortable emotions associated with questions regarding your personal experiences. If so, I will remind you that you can withdraw at any time during interview and I will provide plenty of **psychological support resources** to seek. We will keep in touch via email if needed.

**Your participation in this research would be greatly appreciated!**  
**If you will answer YES to all of the following items, you are welcome to partake in my study:**

- I am a female, male or non-binary person who is 18 years or older
  - I am attracted to minors aged 16 or younger
  - I have never sexually offended against a minor (including masturbation in the presence of a child, online interaction, or behaviors affecting the minor)
- I intend to never engage in illegal behavior toward a minor
  - I have never used pornography that involved minors
  - I have never intended to use child pornography.

**All selected participants must be 18 or over and meet the above criteria**

**Should you wish to take part in this study, please email me at 100618143@unimail.derby.ac.uk or [H.Lennon@derby.ac.uk](mailto:H.Lennon@derby.ac.uk) to express your interest.**

**You can participate immediately by providing your consent using this online form not requiring signature and personal details:**

<https://forms.office.com/e/hkeLWS4Z4f>

Then, I will send you more details about the study in the form of an **information sheet**, the **online consent form with the previous information sheet included (which does not require your personal details or signature)** outlining your rights in this study, and I will be available for any queries.

**You are free to ask me questions about both interview options (audio and email interview) to choose the one that suits you better.**

**After receipt of the informed consent form, we will establish a date to do the interview.**