Sample Consent Forms

Individual Interviews of Persons With Intellectual Disabilities

Thank you for agreeing to meet with ______________________ and ______________________ (staff) from ______________________ (agency). We will ask questions about making services better for crime victims with disabilities in ______________________ (city, state). Please read and, if you agree, sign this form below.

1. ______________________ (agency) will make reasonable accommodations to allow me to participate in this interview if I ask.

2. What we talk about today will be used by ______________________ (agency) to help make its services better for persons with disabilities who are hurt by other people.

3. Someone will take notes during the interview. The notes will not include my name or say who I am. What I say will not be shared with other people outside of this project.

4. I do not have to answer any question I do not want to.

5. If I want to leave, I can. I do not have to say why I want to leave. I can ask for help from staff in arranging transportation.

6. This interview is not for counseling. If I want to talk after the interview, someone can meet with me. I can also call ______________________ if I need help after the interview.
7. I understand that if I share information about abuse that is happening to me or to someone else, the interviewer may need to report this abuse to ________________.

I have read and I understand this information. I agree to participate in this interview. If I think of anything else I would like to add after the interview, I am free to contact ________________ (agency) staff.

________________________________________________________________________
Signature/Date
________________________________________________________________________
Print Name
________________________________________________________________________
Witness Signature

Note to staff: If the person indicated consent verbally, please note that here: