



Invitation to Participate in a Research Study

We are inviting
YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO USE VENTILATORS
to help us learn about their everyday lives

WHO: Young people (ages 16-40) who use a ventilator on a daily/nightly basis and are able to participate in interviews communicating verbally or using any type of communication device or a communication partner.

WHAT: We will have conversations with young people about themselves, their everyday lives and what is important to them. Young people will also create a collection of photographs taken on their own or with the help of others that help tell about their daily lives and share stories about the photos in an interview. If public health restrictions permit, we may also come and spend time with young people as they go about their daily lives. Participation is voluntary.

WHY: We are interested in learning more about the everyday lives of young people who use a ventilator and what is important in their lives. We also want to learn more about what makes their lives good, easier or harder. This information will help develop programs and improve supports for young people who use ventilators.

WHERE: Conversations and interviews will occur primarily online or by phone during the pandemic. Any visits, if possible, would occur at home, in your community or any other location that you choose.

WHEN: At times that are convenient for you.

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(We will make every effort to correspond in ways that are easiest for you. A reminder that email correspondence is not secure and can involve risks related to loss of privacy.)