As a parent or caregiver who is connected with Bright Beginnings and/or Early On, you are invited to participate in a brief, 10-minute survey research study, *Exploring Parent-Child Intergenerational Transmission of Participation in and Engagement with Outdoor Activities* conducted by Tracy Young, MHS, OTR/L and Amy Wagenfeld, PhD, OTR/L, SCEM, FAOTA, faculty in the departments of occupational therapy at Western Michigan University and Johnson and Wales University. Your participation in this study is voluntary and anonymous as we will not ask for your name, phone number, mailing, or email address. Please read the informed consent below and ask questions about anything you do not understand via email or telephone, before determining whether or not to participate. At the conclusion of the informed consent form you will find a link to connect you directly to the survey. Thank you very much.

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**Informed Consent**

**Western Michigan University**

**Occupational Therapy Department**

**Co-Principal Investigators:** Tracy Young and Amy Wagenfeld

**Student Investigators:** Kelly Allen and Caitlin Koob

**Title of Study:** Exploring Parent-Child Intergenerational Transmission of Participation in and Engagement with Outdoor Activities

You are invited to participate in a research project called, “Exploring Parent-Child Intergenerational Transmission of Participation in and Engagement with Outdoor Activities." If you choose to participate, you will complete two short questionnaires. This consent document will explain the purpose of this research project and will go over all of the time commitments, the procedures used in the study, and the risks and benefits of participating in this research project. Please read this consent form carefully and completely and please ask any questions if you need more clarification.

**What are we trying to find out in this study?**

The purpose of this study is to understand you and your children’s interest and participation in outdoor activities.
Who can participate in this study?
Participation in this study is open to all parents, guardians, and caregivers of children and youth who are connected with Bright Beginnings and/or Early On, who are 18 years of age or older, can read and understand English, and have Internet access.

Where will this study take place?
This study will take place entirely online.

What is the time commitment for participating in this study?
It will take approximately 10 minutes to complete the study.

What will you be asked to do if you choose to participate in this study?
You will be asked to respond to two online questionnaires. You will not be asked to provide your name, phone number, mailing or email address. When you are done, your responses will be submitted to the online data collection site.

What information is being measured during the study?
Participation in the study will allow the researchers to gain and share information about how and why parents and children participate in outdoor activities.

What are the risks of participating in this study and how will these risks be minimized?
The potential risk associated with participating in this study is slight psychological discomfort that may arise during the completion of some of the questionnaires. The risk will be minimized by making a researcher available to talk with you should you feel the need to do so.

What are the benefits of participating in this study?
The primary benefit of taking part in this study is the knowledge that you have contributed to research that is looking at relationships between parent and child interest and participation in outdoor activities.

Are there any costs associated with participating in this study?
There are no costs associated with participating in this study.

Is there any compensation for participating in this study?
There is no compensation for participating in this study.

Who will have access to the information collected during this study?
The information that you provide will be kept confidential in a passcode protected file on the principal investigator’s computer at Western Michigan University. The persons who will have access to the information collected during this study are Principal Investigators, Tracy Young, MHS, OTRL and Amy Wagenfeld, PhD, OTR/L, SCEM, FAOTA, and Student Investigators, Kelly Allen, BFA, OTS and Caitlin Koob, OTS.
Results of the study will be disseminated in occupational therapy, environmental psychology, child development publications, and at conference presentations. Because we will not ask you to provide your name or contact information, no names or other identifying information such as name and email address will be included in publications or at presentations.

**What if you want to stop participating in this study?**

*You can choose to stop participating in the study at any time for any reason. You will not suffer any prejudice or penalty by your decision to stop your participation. You will experience NO consequences if you choose to withdraw from this study.*

*The investigator can also decide to stop your participation in the study without your consent.*

Should you have any questions prior to or during the study, you can contact Tracy Young at 616-771-4200 or tracy.young@wmich.edu or Dr. Amy Wagenfeld at 401-598-5254 or amy.wagenfeld@jwu.edu. You may also contact the Chair, Human Subjects Institutional Review Board at 269-387-8293 or the Vice President for Research at 269-387-8298 if questions arise during the course of the study.

*This consent document has been approved for use for one year by the Human Subjects Institutional Review Board (HSIRB) as indicated by the stamped date and signature of the board chair in the upper right corner. Do not participate in this study if the stamped date is older than one year.*

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I have read this informed consent document. The risks and benefits have been explained to me. By clicking on the link below or copying and pasting it into my browser, I am consenting to participate in this research study.

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