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Dear Sir/Madam

Developing a web-based ADOS-2 video resource within ADOS Consortium

We are writing to ask for your support in recruiting volunteers for an exciting project. The Autism Diagnostic Schedule (ADOS) is an assessment used by professionals working with people with suspected ASD. These professionals are trained to use this assessment in in-depth training, involving watching recordings to show how the activities in the assessment are administered. They then carry out post course work and ongoing consensus training to ensure they are meeting a consistent high standard in administration and scoring.

ADOS Consortium is a group of senior ADOS practitioners and researchers in the NHS and universities across Scotland. It was established over 10 years ago to provide highly structured training to professionals in using the ADOS. The ADOS Consortium are now replacing these recordings, as many are now quite old and involve an older version of the ADOS. We will be recording new assessments and storing them on the NHS Education for Scotland (NES) site, where they can only be accessed by professionals involved in ADOS training. This will improve the training resources and maintain the high standard set by the ADOS Consortium in delivering training across Scotland. It will also improve the experience and outcomes for being people being assessed.

We are hoping to recruit at least 20 children and adults in order to build a number of recordings for future training. This will involve people who already have a diagnosis of ASD. Many of these participants and their families may already be familiar with the ADOS.

We would appreciate your help in recruiting these individuals and would ask you to display the enclosed poster in your school or agency. We have also enclosed a number of flyers, as we are aware many individuals may be taxied in and out of schools, for example, and parents may not access main notice boards. If you could send a flyer home with each pupil in your class, or leave flyers for parents or individuals at support groups or other services, this would be greatly appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries regarding this project or recruitment of volunteers. Many thanks in advance for your support.

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Enc ADOS-2 A4 poster
 ADOS-2 A5 flyers

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