

INFORMATION SHEET

My name is Aoife Mallon, and I am currently undertaking an MA in Psychotherapy in Dublin Business School. I am inviting you to take part in my research project which sets out to explore the experience of countertransference for therapists working with addiction.

What is involved?

If you agree to participate in this research, you will be invited to attend a recorded interview with myself either in person or online, which should take approximately 45 minutes to complete. During this I will ask you a series of questions relating to the research topic and your own work. After completion of the interview, I may request to contact you by phone or email if I have any follow-up questions. There are no known risks involved in taking part in this study.

Confidentiality

All information obtained from you during the research will be kept confidential. Notes about the research and any form you may fill in will be coded and stored in a locked file. The key to the code numbers will be kept in a separate locked file. This means that all data kept on you will be de-identified and a pseudonym will be created for each participant. All data that has been collected will be kept in this confidential manner and in the event that it is used for future research, it will be handled in the same way. Audio recordings and transcripts will be made of the interview but again these will be coded by number and kept in a secure location. Data retention will be managed in line with the retention policy of DBS, as set out in the [Ethical Guidelines](#), and GDPR regulations. Your participation in this research is voluntary. You are free to withdraw at any time prior to the submission date without disadvantage.

Should you have any further questions regarding this study please do not hesitate to contact either:

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DECLARATION

I have read this consent form and have time to consider whether to take part in this study. I understand that my participation is voluntary (it is my choice) and that I am free to withdraw from the research at any time prior to the submission date without disadvantage. I agree to take part in this research. I understand that, as part of this research, notes of my participation in the research will be made. I understand that my name will not be identified in any use of these records. I am voluntarily agreeing that any notes may be studied by the researcher for use in the research project and used in scientific publications.

Name of Participant (in block letters) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

