

Early education, childcare and No Recourse to Public Funds: participant information sheet

Thank you for considering taking part in this research about your experiences of early education, childcare and the No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) condition. This information sheet tells you what the research is about, what will happen if you decide to take part and how we will use the results of the research. Please read all the information before deciding whether you wish to take part in the study.

What is this research about?

The aim of the survey is to understand how parents affected by the NRPF condition experience accessing early education and childcare for their children. By "childcare" we mean any care given to a child by anyone other than their parent/s or primary caregiver/s. By "early education and care" we mean any education or care given to a child in the years before they start school (usually when they are 4 years old). We are carrying out this research to help us influence policy-makers. Our aim is to inform the development of a early education and childcare system that includes of all children and parents, no matter where they were born or the colour of their skin.

Who is doing this research?

This survey is being conducted by <u>Praxis</u>, a charity that supports and provides advice to migrants and refugees in London. You can read more about our work on childcare here:

Who can take part?

This research is open to parents who have children who have not yet started school, and who are affected by NRPF. This includes, for example, people with limited leave to remain, people with pre-settled status under the EUSS, and people who do not currently have leave to remain.

How will my information be used and kept safe?

All responses to this survey will be stored and analysed by Praxis, on a secure computer system, in accordance with Praxis' <u>privacy policy</u>. The findings will be reported so that no individuals that took part in the research can be identified either via their name or anything else that could identify them. This means that your contribution will be completely anonymous.

What will happen if I decide to take part?

Once you have read and understood this information sheet, it is your decision whether or not you would like to take part in this research. This decision is completely voluntary. Praxis is completely independent of the government, including the Home Office, and completing this survey will in no way impact on your immigration status, nor will it affect any services you already receive.

When will interviews take place?

If you decide to take part, we will set up a date and time for an interview that is convenient for you. This can be in person, online or over the phone, depending on your preference. We estimate that each interview will take **no longer** than 45 minutes.

Will you pay for expenses and time?

Yes. We are offering a voucher of £75 per person to compensate each interview participant for their time. We can also cover public transport costs within London if required, or data costs if we conduct an online interview.

How can I find out more?

If you're interested in taking part, <u>please fill out this form</u>. Please note that we may not be able to interview everyone who gets in touch, as we have a limited budget for this project. However, we will also be conducting a survey soon which will be open to all.

If you have any questions, you can contact us at communications@praxis.org.uk