

Online Survey Investigating the Fear of Contamination

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General Information:

This study forms part of a series of research which aims to understand more about the nature of anxiety disorders, in particular the thoughts and feelings surrounding the fear of contamination. As part of this research, we would like to ask you to complete a short online questionnaire about the types of problems you are currently experiencing. We are interested in hearing from both people with and without contamination concerns.

This research forms part of a PhD at the University of Reading and is supervised by Professor Roz Shafran.

Ethical Issues:

The study has ethical approval from Berkshire NHS Local Research Ethics Committee (Ref: 07/Q1602/71), Telephone 0118 918 0550.

You are under no obligation to take part and not agreeing will not influence any current medical care that you may be receiving. You are free to withdraw from the study, at any time, without giving a reason. All responses will be anonymous and will be kept strictly confidential.

How to take part:

If you are willing to complete the online survey, please go to:

You will be asked to complete a short online questionnaire about the types of problems you are currently experiencing. This should take around 10 minutes to complete.

How to Contact Us:

If you are willing to complete the online survey, please go to:

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