

## **DOES YOUR SPOUSE / PARTNER HAVE OCD?**

**ARE YOU CURRENTLY LIVING WITH YOUR SPOUSE / PARTNER WHO HAS OCD OR OBSESSIONS AND / OR COMPULSIONS?**

**(If you have OCD or obsessions and / or compulsions please pass this information on to your spouse / partner)**

**Research study: Exploring people's responses to spouses' / partners' obsessions and / or compulsions**

My name is Rachel Orr. I am a trainee clinical psychologist from Lancaster University, completing this project as part of my doctorate qualification. I would be really interested in hearing from anyone (over the age of 18) who is living with a spouse / partner (also aged 18 or over) who has OCD or obsessions and / or compulsions. To take part, you will have been living together in the same household for at least one year.

I am interested in interviewing people about how they respond to their spouses' or partners' obsessions / behaviours. I would be really interested in hearing from people about their experiences of this.

If you are interested, it would involve you initially completing a short questionnaire to tell me a little about your spouse's / partner's behaviour. You are not required to give any identifying information about them at any point. We will look at this questionnaire to see if your spouse / partner has significant obsessions and / or compulsions for it to be suitable to include you in the study. You could then be interviewed by me for approximately one hour about your involvement and responses to your spouse's / partner's obsessions and / or compulsions. The interview could take place at a convenient place near your home.

**At no point will I need to speak to or be given any identifying information about your spouse / partner (who has obsessions and / or compulsions or OCD).**

If you would like further information or might be interested in taking part please contact me on 01524 592970 or alternatively email me at [r.orr@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:r.orr@lancaster.ac.uk)

**Please note that participation in this research will only take place up until November 2008. Therefore if you want to take part in this study please contact me before then.**

This study has been approved by Lancaster University Ethics Committee.

Thank You