



CONSENT FORM

Empowering People through Informed Choice in Rheumatoid Arthritis (EPIC-RA)

Title of Project: Developing a better understanding of people with Rheumatoid Arthritis' views on taking their RA medicines and about how they might feel about having novel tests in the future that may predict whether those medicines will work before they start taking them.

Name of Researchers: Professor Anne Barton and Dr Kanta Kumar

Please initial box

1. I confirm that I have read and understand the information sheet version 3, dated 29/04/2015 for the above study and have had the opportunity to consider the information and ask questions and had these answered satisfactorily.
2. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time, without giving any reason and without my medical care or legal rights being affected.
3. I agree to attend a focus group interview and discuss my views and feelings towards my illness, therapy and predictive tests.
4. I understand that this focus group discussion must be kept confidential, so as to protect all members of the group.
5. I agree to the interview being digitally recorded, transcribed into written word and analysed by researchers at the University of Manchester. Such researchers will receive no identifiable information about me apart from gender, biologic treatment history and length of disease duration.
6. I agree to the use of anonymous quotes from the recordings.
7. I understand and agree that anonymised data from this session may be provided to other bona-fide researchers working in the field for research purposes.
8. I agree to information, from which I can be identified, for administration purposes only, being held by the study team at The Centre for Musculoskeletal Research.
9. I understand that I will be reimbursed for travel expenses for the group meeting, but that no other payments will be made.

Name of patient

Date

Signature of participant

Name of person taking consent

Date

Signature