

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM

- I have read and understand the information sheet provided. I understand that I can ask any questions I may have at any time before or during the ***Growing Up in Ireland*** survey.
- I consent to my child and my participation in ***Growing Up in Ireland***.
- I understand that the survey is carried out under the Statistics Act (1993).
- I understand that the main aim of the project is to build a bank of information about the lives of children in Ireland today and into the future.
- I understand that a range of information will be collected, including information from my child.
- I understand that the survey information provided by me and my child will be given an ID number, and that our names, address and other identifying details will be removed. The survey information will then be stored on a computer where it can be used only for statistical research purposes. It would be an offence to use it for any other reason.
- I understand however, that if the interviewer is told something, outside the answers given to the direct survey questions, which causes them or the people running the study to have serious concerns for the welfare of my 13-year-old, or any other vulnerable person, they may have to tell someone who could help.
- I understand that I may request access to the information about me on the questionnaires which I complete.
- I will not have access to the information on the questionnaires completed by my 13-year-old.
- I understand that I will not receive any feedback about the answers given by my 13-year-old on their online survey regardless of what those answers might be.
- I understand that because this study looks at children's development over time, I and my child may be asked to participate in a follow-up study in a few years' time.
- I understand that I may withdraw my participation, and that of my child, at any time, including after the information has been collected.

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