



Hello!

We are contacting you to tell you about the **READY** study (<u>Recording Emerging A</u>dulthood in <u>D</u>eaf <u>Y</u>outh]. The research study is about deaf young people aged 16 to 23 years old but you can volunteer to take part when you are 15 and still at school if your parents agree. The study is about how deaf young people see their lives as they start to leave school, get jobs or go on to further training or education. We want to understand how you see your future from your point of view.

Researchers from the University of Manchester and the University of Edinburgh are running the study. It is funded by the National Deaf Children's Society.

You can find out more information about the READY study by going to our website: <u>https://www.manchester.ac.uk/thereadystudy/</u>. Here <u>https://sites.manchester.ac.uk/thereadystudy/letter-dyp/</u> there is information in **British Sign Language** and also in **Sign Supported Spoken English**.

If you think you might be interested in taking part we need you to **complete an electronic reply form.** This will tell us how to contact you. We also ask you three simple questions about your age, your deafness and where you live. This is because we need to work out if you are eligible for the study before we send you more information.

If you send us the reply form this does not mean you are definitely in the research study. It just means you want to find out more and you give us permission to contact you again.

You can also contact the researchers via: Email: <u>READY@manchester.ac.uk</u> SMS: 07979 668178

Please discuss this with your parents. We hope you will want to take part.

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