

Participate in Research

Promoting social inclusion experiences in recreation settings for children with disabilities through the arts



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Is your child participating in the Spiral Garden program?

Consider having your child share their experiences in this study about the impact of inclusive recreation on perceptions of social inclusion

What is this study about:

This study explores the perspectives of children with and without disabilities on their social inclusion experiences in the Spiral Garden program at Holland Bloorview Kid's Rehabilitation Hospital.

Who can participate?

We are looking for:

- Children participating in the Spiral Garden program during the summer 2016 who are between the ages of 8 and 18
- Children who can comprehend in English verbally or with an assistive device
- Be able to express their thoughts/perceptions about interactions and friendship with peers
- Be able to express their thoughts about the Spiral Garden program

What's involved?

The study involves two interviews and three observational periods.

- Participants will be involved in two interviews which are expected to last roughly 45 minutes
- Participants will be observed for two hours on three occasions during their participation in the Spiral Garden program
- Interviews can be conducted on site at a time that is most convenient for you and parking passes will be provided
- Participants will receive a thank you gift card for participating

What are the risks and benefits of participating?

- Benefits: Participation in this study provides children with the opportunity to share their experiences to improve social inclusion within the Spiral Garden program and the wider community
- Risks: Children may feel uncomfortable about answering certain questions about feelings of belonging during the interviews