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Participant Consent Form

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EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF LATEST UPDATES ON MYELOPROLIFERATIVE NEOPLASMS (MPN) AND MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES (MDS) – A CERTIFIED ONLINE MINI-COURSE

Funding Source: Patient donation

Purpose of the Study: This study aims to improve knowledge regarding continuing professional development and to improve future iterations of the MPN-MDS mini-course.

Voluntary Participation

Participation in this study is voluntary. You have the right to stop the interview or withdraw from the research at any time.

Study Procedures

As part of your participation in our research study you will complete two questionnaires: an Information Assessment Method (IAM) questionnaire part 1 upon completing the course, as well as a second IAM questionnaire 6 months after completing the course.

Risks and Benefits

We do not anticipate that there are any risks associated with your participation.

As a participant in this research project in continuing professional development (CPD), your input will contribute to:

- Increase knowledge on effective CPD,
- Improve future iterations of this mini-course,
- Identify needs of family physicians in relation to this course.

Confidentiality

- The data from the questionnaire tools used in the current research project will only be analysed by researchers associated with this project.
- Any summary of these data that are made available through academic publication or other academic outlets will be anonymized so that you cannot be identified, and care will be taken to ensure that any information that could identify yourself is not revealed.
- All data from your participation in this course and in this research project will be kept in a password-protected file on the McGill University network drive accessed only by authorized members of the research team. Data will be retained for 5 years.
- Any variation of the conditions above will only occur with your further explicit approval.

- All data generated from a withdrawn participant will be destroyed.

Compensation

As a token of our appreciation for your time and effort for participating in this study, you will be entered into a draw to win either: (i) a free registration to our McGill CPD MedUpdates course (2022 – 2023) (value of 995\$ +tax) or (ii) a gift certificate for 100\$ applicable to the McGill Bookstore.

Please note that, in order to be eligible to win these prizes, you will have to complete the following:

- The mini-course offers 2 modules and participants have the option to complete one or both modules
- Registration + demographic questionnaire
- Complete case-based pre-test
- Visualize interview Dr. Prchal and patient (this is only for MPN module)
- Read the chapter(s): Latest Update on Myeloproliferative Neoplasms and/or Latest Update on Myelodysplastic Syndromes
- Visualize 1 or 2 webinar(s)
- Opportunity to Ask the Expert (optional)
- Complete case-based post-test
- Questionnaire Information Assessment Method (IAM) Part I
- Keep notes on potential changes in practice for 6 months to complete IAM Part (II)
- Six-month follow-up: complete IAM Part II

Contact/Questions

If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant, or if you have ethical concerns or complaints about your participation in this study, and want to speak with someone not on the research team, please contact the McGill Ethics Officer at 514-398-8302 or ilde.lepore@mcgill.ca

For any questions regarding this study, please contact: cpdresearchassist.med@mcgill.ca

Declaration of consent

By agreeing to participate and clicking ‘yes’ on this question (see SurveyMonkey questionnaire), I agree that:

1. I am voluntarily taking part in this project. I understand that I do not have to take part, and I can withdraw from the study at any time.
2. The data generated from my participation may be used as described above.
3. I have read this document fully.
4. I can expect to be entered in a draw (described above).
5. I have been able to ask any questions I might have, and I understand that I am free to contact the researcher with any questions I may have in the future.