



Dear Participants,

Easterseals is currently conducting a study **to assess how caregivers feel about the influence of the race, ethnicity, language, and gender of the clinicians who directly deliver applied behavior analysis services (ABA) to their children.** We would like to invite you to participate in a study being conducted by the Easterseals Research Division.

- The research team is interested in caregiver perspectives and preferences of same race, ethnicity, and gender of ABA providers. **The purpose of this study is to survey how caregivers feel about the influence of the race, ethnicity, language, and gender of the clinicians who directly deliver applied behavior analysis services to their children.**

Purpose



- The potential benefits of participating in this study may include: the development of more client-centered approaches, culturally competent interventions, enhance caregiver satisfaction, improve the therapeutic relationship, and improve overall treatment outcomes.

Benefits to Participants



- There are no risks associated with participation in this study.

Risks to Participants



- Participation in the study will consist of:
 - Signing a consent form
 - Responding to a multiple-choice question survey about demographic variables (e.g., race, ethnicity, gender, age, etc.)
 - The survey will take no longer than 5-10 minutes to complete

Procedures



- The data obtained from this study will not and can not be used to evaluate participants' performance across any area of performance or for any type of evaluation purposes.
- All data obtained from this study will be confidential and none of your identifying information will be used in this study.
- All data will be maintained on an encrypted laptop and kept for a minimum of five years, per APA guidelines.

Confidentiality



Appendix C: Recruitment Flyer – Spanish

Questions/Concerns:

If you have any questions, please contact, **Leslie Solares** at Leslie.b.solares@wmich.edu, or for any further questions, please contact *Easterseal's Vice President of Research, Dr. Amin D Lotfizadeh*, at Amin.Lotfizadeh@essc.org or (714) 425-5388.

Alternatives to Participation: *Participation in this study is **voluntary**. You may withdraw from study participation at any time without any penalty.*