



## PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

### Information for Prospective Participants

*The following research activity has been reviewed via QUT arrangements for the conduct of research involving human participation. If you choose to participate, you will be provided with more detailed participant information, including who you can contact if you have any concerns.*

### Working dads: Navigating work, care and family after transition into fatherhood

#### Research team contacts

**Principal Researcher:** Dr Mariann Martsin Lecturer  
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#### What is the purpose of the research?

The purpose of this project is to understand how men navigate their work, care and family roles and responsibilities after becoming fathers. In particular, the study aims to understand how men experience transition into fatherhood, if and how their work, care and family responsibilities change after they become fathers, if and how they take on other care responsibilities within their extended families after becoming fathers, and how they navigate and combine their work, care and family responsibilities in this stage of their adult life.

#### Are you looking for people like me?

The research team is looking for men whose youngest child is five (5) years old or younger, who live in a household with at least one income earner and who are proficient in spoken English.

#### What will you ask me to do?

Your participation will involve an audio recorded interview at QUT or other agreed location that is convenient to you. The interview will take approximately one hour of your time. Interview questions will cover three broad topics: transition into fatherhood (e.g., What was it like for you to become a father?), work and career (e.g., What does your work/career mean to you? What kind of impact has fatherhood had on your career?), and other care responsibilities (e.g., In addition to the care of your child(ren), do you provide care to any other members of your extended family?).

#### Are there any risks for me in taking part?

The research team has identified the following possible risks in relation to participating in this study: the inconvenience of participating in an interview that takes up to one hour of your time and the minimal and unlikely discomfort arising from the interview process.

It should be noted that if you do agree to participate, you can withdraw from participation at any time during the project without comment or penalty.

#### Are there any benefits for me in taking part?

It is expected that this project will not benefit you directly, although it may give you opportunities to reflect upon your recent experiences. However, the study will benefit the broader research community by providing new knowledge about men's identity development in adulthood. The study will also provide useful information about men's life-course transitions in adulthood that can be used to develop social policy in the area of work, care and family.

#### Will I be compensated for my time?

To recognise your contribution should you choose to participate you will receive a \$20.00 Myer/Coles voucher.

#### I am interested – what should I do next?

For details of the next step, or if you would like to participate in this study, please contact:

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You will be provided with further information to ensure that your decision and consent to participate is fully informed.

**Thank You!**

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