

# SUPPORT NEEDED FOR ACCESSIBLE RESEARCH PARTICIPATION

## RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION

Meaningful communication with people and their caregivers ensures that all needs and questions are addressed.



## ACCESSIBLE RESEARCH MATERIALS

Providing clear, accessible research materials, including surveys, consent forms, descriptions of study, instructions, or other research documents, for people ensures they fully understand the study and research materials.

## CONSENT AND ASSENT FORMS

Developing accessible consent and assent forms for people is essential for supporting and understanding the study and their rights. If a participant is their own legal guardian, they can provide informed consent. If a participant is not their own legal guardian, consent must be provided by the legal guardian and assent must be provided by the participant.



## TRANSPORTATION

Helping people find safe and reliable transportation can ensure that barriers to their participation in research are minimized.

## ASKING QUESTIONS & INTERVIEWING

Ask people open-ended or fill-in-the-blank questions during the interviews, allowing you to provide assistance that meets their needs. Examples include providing pictures as answers during the interview or writing our responses in a simple manner.



## STIPENDS

Paying co-researchers a stipend demonstrates your appreciation for their knowledge and participation in the research study.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Caregivers often understand their individual the best! It is important to always consult with the caregiver before making decisions to provide the most supportive environment for the individual.



## MULTIPLE MODES OF COMMUNICATION



Providing people a variety of communication methods can help foster a positive learning environment that supports diverse learning processes. Examples include picture descriptions, verbal and gestural prompts.

## PACING

Providing people enough time to process information creates a safe space for positive learning new and potentially complex information.



## FLEXIBILITY

It is important to meet the needs of people and their caregivers to create a positive research engagement process.

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