

MINDALIS PARTNERSHIP

Your privacy and confidentiality

We will keep any information confidential and securely stored. We will use and retain information that we collect about you for this study, and with your permission, place it in a databank once the study is complete. A databank is a collection of research data to enable the data to be used by other researchers to maximise the benefit of the research in alignment with the Australian Government's Open Access Policy. The Databank must provide the same level of data security and protection of your privacy and confidentiality as for this project. Neither we nor they will disclose your personally identified information without your permission, except in compliance with the law.

Where we transfer your data to approved collaborators we will do so in a format where you are not identifiable to anyone under normal circumstances. What this means is that your data will be functionally anonymous if intercepted. However, we will attach a code to it so that we will be able to link it back to you. The files that allow us to break the code are held in a secure and separate place and are password protected so it is highly unlikely that anyone could gain access to your information. No personal information about you, such as your name and address will be shared with anyone outside of your recruiting site or an authorised member of the research team or the databank custodian and their staff. All of your collected information will be kept for at least 10 years after the end of the study. We may keep the information for longer than the minimum period if it remains useful for research.

Australian privacy law gives you the right to request access to your information that has been collected and stored. The law also gives you the right to request corrections to any information about you that you disagree with. Please contact the team using the details on the final page of this document if you would like to access your information.

With your permission your treating GP and/or other medical professional will be notified of your participation in this study and of any clinically relevant information.