

## Needs Assessment for Crisis Services in Fife

### Informed Consent

Purpose of this study – The aim of this study is to find out whether existing services in Fife for people in crisis are fit for purpose, and if not, what improvements could be made.

What you will be asked to do – You will be asked to participate in a focus group discussion about your experiences of using crisis services and what improvements, if any, you think need to be made. You will also be asked to participate in an optional in-depth interview around the same topic. Preferably the focus group and the interview would be recorded to make it easier for the researcher to analyse the information given at a later date, however this is not essential.

Time required – Focus group – One hour 30 minutes; Interview – 45 minutes

Confidentiality – Your identity will be kept confidential to the extent provided by law. Any recordings and notes will be kept in a locked cabinet in the researcher's office. When the study is completed and the data have been analysed, identifying information will be removed.

Voluntary participation – Your participation in this study is completely voluntary. There is no penalty for not participating.

Right to withdraw from the study – You have the right to withdraw from the study at anytime without consequence.

Whom to contact if you have questions about the study

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### Agreement

I have read the description above. I voluntarily agree to participate in this research and have received a copy of this description.

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Researcher:

Date: 1st August 2011