

# **RESEARCH STUDY: Positive stories about the mother-child relationship among mothers of children with Autism**

If you answer yes to the following three questions, you may be interested in participating in this research study:

- 1) Are you a mother of a child diagnosed with Autism?
- 2) Has it been 5-10 years since your child's diagnosis?
- 3) Do you have 45 minutes -1 hour to spare?

## **What is the study about?**

The research study is interested in....

- How mothers of children with Autism describe their mother-child relationship?
- Getting positive stories about the experiences up to today that have shaped / influenced your mother-child relationship.

## **What is involved?**

Interested participants will tell stories about their mother-child relationship.

## **Benefits**

It is hoped....

- Information gathered from your stories may inform future developments of intervention services that focus on supporting women of children with Autism in building and strengthening their mother-child relationship.
- That you will benefit by having your story and opinions validated in the context of a research study.
- Your stories may inspire, empower, and instill hope in mother's of newly diagnosed children with Autism about the meaningful existence of a mother-child relationship.

## **Location**

The research study will be conducted at Ryerson University.

## **Compensation**

- Research participants will be compensated for their transportation costs (\$20).
- If needed, child care arrangements can be made for the duration of the research study.

## **Who is running the study?**

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