

## **“Just Another Rupture: The Experiences of Youth in Care During Disaster Evacuation”**

### **Appendix C Informed Consent Form**

This research project has been approved by the RRU Research Ethics Board. If you have any questions regarding your rights as a research participant, please contact the Office of Research Ethics at [ethicalreview@royalroads.ca](mailto:ethicalreview@royalroads.ca). The purpose of the research has been explained to me and a copy of the interview guide has been provided for my records. I’ve had an opportunity to ask questions about the research and can stop the interview at any time. It is my choice to participate in the interview.

**Participant name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### **If literacy is a concern or there is a legal guardianship arrangement that requires consent:**

I’ve witnessed the consent form read to the participant as it appears and attest that the participant has been given the opportunity to ask questions of the researcher. I confirm the participant has freely and voluntarily consented to participate in the interview and that as a legal guardian, I consent to their participation.

**Witness/ Guardian name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

I have accurately read the interview guide to the potential participant and to the best of my ability and judgement confirm the participant has freely given consent. I have conveyed:

- the purpose of the research and intended distribution of any findings,
- that while the actual duration of the interview is up to the participant, participants can expect to spend about an hour and a half with the researcher,
- that if at any time through the course of the interview or as a result of the interview the participant experiences discomfort from recollecting memories in response to a question or the interview, the interview can stop - existing mental health and psychosocial supports have been identified and contact procedures are understood by both the participant and researcher,
- that should the participant prefer to meet virtually, submit written responses to the questions, or that interview not be digitally recorded, accommodations will be made, and
- a copy of this consent document and the interview guide have been provided to the participant.

**Consent taken by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Researcher)**

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