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## Research Study: Development of a core outcome set to evaluate remote technologies for adult cochlear implant users

We would like to invite you to participate in a series of three online Delphi review surveys that we are conducting as part of our research project to 'Develop a core set of outcome measures to evaluate remote technologies for cochlear implant users'. Development of a core set of outcome measures will support clinicians, CI clinics, researchers and policy makers to maximise the potential benefits of this model of care, and to ensure optimal and personalised care for CI users.

You will be asked about your opinion on a series of statements on key outcome areas (domains) that can be used to assess outcomes of remote technologies for CI users and CI services. The aim is to achieve consensus on which domains to include in a Core Outcome Set (COS).

We are an Australian research group with collaborators from the US and the UK also. We are conducting the Delphi Review (series of 3 surveys) with CI users and professionals from Australian, the UK and the US.

## What's Involved?

Completion of three rounds of an online survey of around 20 mins per survey. We would like to have the first survey responses returned by 21/05/23 to ensure that all surveys can be completed in a reasonable time frame.

If you are interested in taking part, please click on the links below;

- participant information form Participant Information Form [all participants]
- online survey <u>CI users survey link</u> [select as required]
- online survey <u>CI professionals survey link</u> [select as required]

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Sucher on <a href="mailto:cathy.sucher@earscience.org.au">cathy.sucher@earscience.org.au</a>

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Approval to conduct this research has been provided by the University of Western Australia, in accordance with its ethics review and approval procedures. Any person considering participation in this research project, or agreeing to participate, may raise any questions or issues with the researchers at any time. In addition, any **Field Code Changed** 

person not satisfied with the response of researchers may raise ethics issues or concerns, and may make any complaints about this research project by contacting the Human Ethics Office at the University of Western Australia on (08) 6488 3703 or by emailing to <a href="mailto:humanethics@uwa.edu.au">humanethics@uwa.edu.au</a>

All research participants are entitled to retain a copy of any Participant Information Form and/or Participant Consent Form relating to this research project.