Participant Information Sheet

**Medical Student Perceptions to the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Adjuncts in their Undergraduate Curriculum and the potential impacts on their careers**

**What is the study?**

The main research question is to explore medical student’s perceptions of the rapidly expanding field that is Artificial intelligence (AI). The first part of the question is to understand your perspectives on any AI adjuncts you use day to day for your education, for example, chat GPT. The second part of the project is to investigate your perceptions of how AI may shape your future careers. The aim of this is to understand your current thoughts and to make recommendations to better shape your curriculum.

**Do I have to take part?**

Participation is entirely voluntary and will have no impact on your grades or education in any way.

**What will happen if I take part?**

If you wish to participate, please sign the consent form and return this to the researcher.

Then the researcher will organise a focus group time via Microsoft Teams. The focus group will last around an hour. The focus groups will take place in groups of 4-6 students to allow for group discussion and exploration of thoughts.

You will be asked about your experiences of AI so far, and how you think AI will develop and change your career practice in future. You do not have to comment on any questions that you do not want to. The researcher will audio / video record the conversation, which will be transcribed (written out in full) and then **completely anonymised** for the research.

After the focus group is completed, you will be **entered into a ballot to win a £50 Amazon voucher.** You can opt out of the prize draw if you do not wish to enter.

**What are the risks and benefits of taking part?**

Your views are very important for us to understand the current experiences of undergraduate students. The information you provide will be confidential and will only be seen by the researcher. Your personal details will be anonymised. There will be very few topics that are sensitive or upsetting, but if you need, you can take breaks or stop the interview if you wish.

**What will happen to the data?**

The data collected will be stored electronically, in anonymised form. No real names will be used in the study or in any subsequent publications. The records of this study will be kept private. No identifiers linking you will be included in any sort of report that might be published. Data files will be password protected and accessible only by the researcher.

**What happens if I change my mind?**

If you have changed your mind after you have done the focus group, please inform the researcher. You do not need to provide any reasons to withdraw. Please let us know within two weeks of your focus group discussion if you wish to withdraw and we will try our best to withdraw your transcript from the dataset. Please note that if you decide to withdraw your data later, this may be complex due to your participation in discussions with other group members.

**What are the plans for dissemination of the project?**

Findings will be disseminated in internal and external seminars/conferences. The project may also be published as a written article. As noted above, no real names will be used in this study and no identifiers linking you will be included in any sort of report/paper that might be published.

**What happens if something goes wrong?**

In any case of concern or complaint, you can contact the researcher:

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**Thank you for taking the time to read and consider this information.**

**Please scan the QR code to register for the study!**

