Millennium Cohort Study Seventh Sweep (MCS7)

Appendix - Materials

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WHAT WE FOUND AT THE AGE 14 SURVEY

Child of the New Century has followed you for nearly 17 years now. The last time we visited was when you were 14. Over 11,700 families took part. We want to say a huge thank you to all of you - you are the key to the success of this study!

Since we visited you, we’ve put together all of the anonymised information we collected from you, so researchers can look at what your lives were like when you were 14. This leaflet has just a snapshot of what you had to say.

Being able to see how you develop and change over time makes this study really special.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Research from Child of the New Century discovered that there is a big gender divide in the types of jobs and wages that boys and girls aspire to.

WHAT WE ASKED YOU

When we last visited you, we asked you what jobs you’d like to have when you get older.

WHAT WE FOUND

The results showed that teenage girls and boys wanted to do different jobs and were most interested in careers that are dominated by their own gender. Teenage girls wanted to work in typically female occupations (like teaching and nursing), while boys wanted to work in male dominated occupations (such as engineering and software development).

Researchers looked into what your predicted future wage was based on these dream careers. They found that girls aspired to lower paying jobs; the average hourly wage for the occupations girls aspired to was 28% lower than that of boys.

Around 1 in 3 teenagers had aspirations for a professional or managerial occupation.
GOING TO UNIVERSITY?

Now that you are turning seventeen, many of you will be thinking about your future plans and whether or not you want to apply to go to university.

The most recent figures from the University and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) show that 42% of 18-year-old school leavers get a place at university.

Findings from the Child of the New Century Age 14 Survey have helped us understand your generation’s expectations of attending university.

WHAT WE FOUND

We found that for your generation, expectations of going to university were much higher than the UCAS figures. The majority of you thought you had a 60% or higher chance of studying at a university.

A significant proportion of you believed your chances were 50:50 while only a few of you thought your chances of going were less than 40%.

Overall, girls seemed more confident about their prospects of going to university.

On average, they believed they had a 70% chance of entering higher education. Just over 14% of girls said they were 100% sure they’d go.

In comparison, boys were less certain of their chances of attending university - their average expectation was slightly lower at 63%, and around 10% were 100% sure they’d study at university.

THE FUTURE

We can’t wait to find out what you are up to when we come to visit for the Age 17 Survey.
YOUR GENERATION ARE GETTING HEALTHIER

Childhood obesity is a major concern in our society. The Government has proposed an action plan to tackle this by introducing several changes, including a soft drinks tax and making school food healthier.

Findings from Child of the New Century have shown that between the ages of 11 and 14 obesity rates have stopped rising. More of you entered your teenage years having reached a healthy weight than those of you who became overweight or obese between the ages of 11 and 14.

WHAT WE ASKED YOU

We've been measuring your height and weight since you were 3. We have also asked you, and your parents, questions about your family and background.

WHAT WE FOUND

When you were 7, 25% of you were overweight or obese, but by age 11, this had increased to around 35%. At age 14, levels of overweight and obesity remained similar with just over 6 in 10 young people having a healthy weight.

While rates of excess weight remain high for your generation, it is positive that more of you had become a healthy weight by the time you were 14 than the other way around.

A quarter of boys who had been overweight or obese at 11 had become a normal weight, compared to one in ten boys who had become overweight or obese since age 11. For girls, 20% had become a healthy weight, compared to 15% who had gained excess weight.
Pre notification booklet – parent

BUILDING A PICTURE OF LIFE AT AGE 14
INITIAL FINDINGS FOR PARENTS

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WHAT WE FOUND AT THE AGE 14 SURVEY

Child of the New Century has been going for nearly 17 years now. The most recent survey took place in 2015 when study members were 14 years old. We spoke to over 11,700 families. Thank you very much for taking part.

Since visiting you, we’ve anonymised the information you gave us, so that researchers can look at what your child’s life was like at age 14. They will also be able to put the information from the Age 14 Survey together with information you gave us at previous surveys, to understand how and why this generation’s lives are changing.

We’ve had a first look at the information you and your child gave us at age 14, and this leaflet provides a snapshot of what we found. We hope you find it interesting.

The real strength of this study is being able to look at how your child develops and changes over time.

VOCABULARY AT AGE 14

Language knowledge has previously been found to play a major role in young people’s performance at school. Child of the New Century has discovered that young people’s vocabulary at age 14 is greatly influenced by their parents’.

WHAT WE ASKED

When we visited you when your child was 14, we asked you and your child to take similar vocabulary assessments. In this task you had to match up words that had the same or similar meaning.

WHAT WE FOUND

The results of the vocabulary task showed there is a link between the scores of parents and their children. Young people were more likely to do well in the word exercise if their parents had got high scores.

Other things that were associated with doing better in the word exercise included speaking a second language, having books at home and independent reading for pleasure.
LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Your children are at an important crossroads in their lives as they decide what they'd like to do in the future.

Findings from the Child of the New Century Age 14 Survey have helped us understand your children's expectations of going to university and their future career aspirations.

WHAT WE ASKED

When we last saw your family, we talked to your child about what they wanted to do in the future. We asked them, on a scale of 0-100, how likely it was that they would go to university. We also asked them what job they wanted to have when they were older.

WHAT WE FOUND: UNIVERSITY EXPECTATIONS

Expectations of attending university were high among your children's generation. The majority thought they had a 60% or higher chance of studying at university. Only a few thought their chances of going to university were less than 40%.

Overall, girls seemed more confident about their prospects of going to university than boys. Just over 14% of girls said they were 100% sure they'd continue their studies at university, compared to nearly 10% of boys who reported the same level of certainty.

WHAT WE FOUND: CAREER ASPIRATIONS

When it comes to future jobs, girls and boys aspire to different careers. The most popular dream jobs for boys were sportsman, software developer, and engineer. The top choices for girls were to be a medical professional, a secondary school teacher, or an actor.

These findings suggest that girls and boys are drawn to careers that are dominated by their own gender.

THE FUTURE

We can't wait to see what the future holds for you and your family when we visit for the Age 17 Survey.
YOUR CHILDREN ARE GETTING HEALTHIER

Childhood obesity is a growing issue and the Government has proposed an action plan to tackle this by introducing several changes, including a soft drinks tax and making school food healthier.

Findings from Child of the New Century have shown that between the ages of 11 and 14 obesity rates have stopped rising.

WHAT WE ASKED

We’ve been measuring your children’s height and weight since they were 3. We’ve also asked you questions about your family’s background.

WHAT WE FOUND

When your children were 7, 25% were overweight or obese, but by age 11, this had increased to around 35%. At age 14, levels of overweight and obesity remained similar with just over 6 in 10 young people being classified as normal weight.

While rates of excess weight remain high for this generation, it is positive that more young people had become a healthy weight by the time they were 14 than the other way around.

A quarter of boys who had been overweight or obese at 11 had now become a normal weight, compared to one in ten boys who had become overweight or obese since age 11. For girls, 20% had become a healthy weight, compared to 15% who had gained excess weight.
Advance booklet for study members

WHAT WOULD WE LIKE YOU TO DO?
INFORMATION FOR STUDY MEMBERS

CONTACT DETAILS

If you would like more information about the survey, please contact the team using the details below:

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!
THE AGE 17 SURVEY

A QUICK GUIDE

1. Answer some questions about your life (around 45 minutes)

2. Complete a short questionnaire online after the visit (around 15 minutes)

3. Do a number activity (around 10 minutes)

4. Get measured (around 10 minutes)

5. Give permission for us to add extra information about you

The rest of this booklet explains some of these parts of the survey in more detail. Please read on to help you decide whether you would like to take part.
WHAT IS CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY?

Child of the New Century (CNC) is well-known around the world for providing a detailed understanding of what it is like to grow up in the UK today. Researchers use the information to learn how people’s experiences and circumstances in childhood can affect their lives later on. The research helps government, healthcare workers, teachers and others to develop services and policies that help improve people’s health, education, development and wellbeing, both now and for future generations.

WHAT HAS THE STUDY FOUND SO FAR?

The study has learnt lots about different areas of your lives. For example:

1. Childhood wellbeing is not related to the amount of money a family has.

2. Moving homes, often considered a major life event, doesn’t affect children’s development.

3. Neighbourhood, friendships and getting on well with siblings are more important than growing up in a two parent home for children’s happiness.

Check out the study website to find out more about what the study has found! www.childnc.net

WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME TO TAKE PART?

As you know, you have been chosen out of all of the people in the country of your age to take part in this unique study.

Age 17 is an important time in your lives – some of you may be thinking about going on to university or what jobs you’d like to do, and some of you will already be working or doing apprenticeships. Taking part helps us to understand the links between your life at age 17, your childhood and your future. Your unique contribution is incredibly valuable so we do hope that you will take part.

WHY ARE MY PARENT(S) BEING ASKED TO TAKE PART?

We would like your parent(s) (or a parent and their partner) who are living with you to complete a paper questionnaire, and a short questionnaire online. This is really important to get a full understanding of family life.

WHO IS CARRYING OUT THE SURVEY?

The survey is being carried out by interviewers from Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations) on behalf of the Centre for Longitudinal Studies at University College London. University College London is the sponsor.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE INFORMATION WE COLLECT?

The information you give us will be held securely and will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulation. Your name, contact details and any other details that may identify you will be kept separate from the information you give us in the survey. The information will be sent to the Centre for Longitudinal Studies and added to the information collected from other young people in the survey. It will then be made available to researchers so they can find out more about your generation. More information on how we keep your information safe can be found in the FAQs on the study website.
WHAT WOULD WE LIKE YOU TO DO?

**ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR LIFE (around 45 minutes)**

The interviewer will ask you questions about your life. For some questions, which might be more private, you will be asked to fill in the answers yourself on the interviewer’s tablet. You don’t have to answer anything you don’t want to and there are no right or wrong answers. The questions cover lots of different topics, such as education and work, family, friends, and how you spend your time.

**WHY IS THIS USEFUL?**

The information helps us to understand how different aspects of your lives affect your wellbeing, health and development. The information can also be compared to previous generations, to see how this might have changed over time.

**COMPLETE A SHORT QUESTIONNAIRE ONLINE AFTER THE VISIT (around 15 minutes)**

We would also like to ask you to complete a short questionnaire online after the visit. The interviewer will explain what to do when they visit you.

**DO A NUMBER ACTIVITY (around 10 minutes)**

We would like you to do a number activity. The interviewer will show you what to do when they visit and answer any questions you have. Some of you may find this kind of activity more enjoyable than others, and some of you might find it challenging. It’s still really important that everyone takes part. You will not be given a score, and the results will not be given to anyone else, such as your school or college.

**WHY IS THIS USEFUL?**

We ask you to complete different types of activities every time we visit you. We haven’t asked you to do any number activities since you were seven, and we’d like to see how you have changed in the last ten years.

Researchers have used the information provided by these activities in lots of ways, for example to study links between family circumstances and events that happen in early childhood, before school even starts, and cognitive development later on.

**GET MEASURED (around 10 minutes)**

We would like to measure your height, weight and body fat percentage. You can ask for a record of your measurements, but the interviewer won’t tell you them if you prefer not to. The interviewer won’t read your measurements out loud, or share them with anyone else.

**WHY IS THIS USEFUL?**

This provides valuable information about the growth of young people. For example, these measurements help to understand the extent to which diet and lifestyle contribute to health. This information can be used to design the most effective policies to help young people stay healthy.

**GIVE PERMISSION FOR US TO ADD EXTRA INFORMATION ABOUT YOU**

We’d like to add some information about you held by government departments to the information you give us as part of the study. Before the interviewer visits, they will send you another booklet with information on why we would like to do this and what it involves.
WHAT WOULD WE LIKE YOU AND YOUR CHILD TO DO?
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE CONCERNS AFTER TAKING PART?

Below are some contact details that provide advice on a range of issues.

**Family Lives**
(www.familylives.org.uk)

Family Lives provides confidential advice, information and support on a range of family issues. You can also call them on Freephone 0808 800 2222.

**Citizens Advice**
(www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

Your local Citizens Advice Bureau can offer independent advice in person on a range of general issues including housing, debt and consumer issues.

**CONTACT DETAILS**

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!
WHAT WOULD WE LIKE YOU TO DO?

Most activities conducted by the interviewer during their visit will be with your child. However, we would like one parent to complete a short, 10 minute interview about the family situation, and answer a small number of questions on paper (around 5 minutes).

We would also like parents (or a parent and their partner) who are living with the young person, to complete a short questionnaire online. This is really important to get a full understanding of family life and helps to provide information that your child may not be able to give themselves.

Ideally we would like you to complete this during the interviewer’s visit. It should take around 15 minutes.

THE QUESTIONS COVER:
- Your family situation
- Your child’s education
- Things you do with your child
- Your health
- Your employment
- Your income

Taking part is voluntary and you can decide to stop at any point or decline any question.

We’d like to send you text and email reminders after the visit to complete the questionnaire, and will be asking for your mobile number and email address to do this. If you’re not happy with this, please just let the interviewer know.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE DATA WE COLLECT?

The answers you and your child give will be held securely and be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulation.

WHAT ARE WE ASKING YOUR CHILD TO DO?

1. ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR LIFE (around 45 minutes)
2. COMPLETE A SHORT QUESTIONNAIRE ONLINE AFTER THE VISIT (around 15 minutes)
3. DO A NUMBER ACTIVITY (around 10 minutes)
4. BE MEASURED (around 10 minutes)
5. GIVE PERMISSION FOR US TO ADD EXTRA INFORMATION ABOUT THEM

A booklet with information on this will be sent to your child before the interviewer visits, and we would like you to discuss this with them.

Most young people find taking part interesting, and we hope they will do all these things. However, they can choose to do some parts and not others.
Contact details

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To change your permissions, email CNC at:

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Thank you for your help!
ADDING OTHER INFORMATION

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Government departments and agencies collect information about all of us to help them plan and provide the services we need. This information is stored in administrative records.

We’d like to ask for your permission to add some of your information held in administrative records to the information we collect about you as part of the study.

The information we would like to add is kept in your education, health, work and benefits records, as well as any police or criminal justice records you may have.

This booklet explains more about this.

You can also find out more by watching our video www.childcnc.net/faqs/adding-information/

DID YOU KNOW?

Adding information from school records has shown that the month in which young people are born can make a difference to how they perform at school - known as the ‘month of birth effect’. This evidence, which shows that summer-born children may benefit from starting school a bit later, has informed the Government’s decision on when to allow summer-born children to start school.

HOW THE PROCESS WORKS

The process works by transferring information securely using a unique ID (unique identifier).

1. With your permission, we send your unique ID, name, sex, address, date of birth to each of the government departments and agencies that hold your records. If they are available we may also send your NHS and National Insurance numbers to help identify records.

Your personal details will only be used to help identify your records accurately. We do not send your survey responses or other information about you.

WHAT IS A UNIQUE ID?

This is a string of letters and numbers created just for you. It allows us to identify your administrative records without identifying you.

Example unique identifier: AEYG7K0DM1X

2. When your administrative records have been identified, the file containing your personal details is destroyed.

3. Just your unique ID and the information taken from your administrative records are sent back to the CNC team.

4. The CNC team then matches the information from your administrative records to your survey responses using your unique ID.

5. The matched information containing survey answers and administrative information is made available to researchers. Remember, your name and address are never included with the matched information, and researchers never see them.

The CNC team will add information from your administrative records for the duration of the study or until you tell us to stop. Take a moment to discuss this process with your interviewer, if you need to.

KEEPING YOUR INFORMATION SAFE

To keep your information safe, it is encrypted and sent via secure transfer systems, in line with the most up to date security rules and procedures.
WHO WILL USE THE INFORMATION?

The matched survey and administrative information will be used for research purposes only. Your name, address, National Insurance number and NHS number are never given to researchers.

The information will be made available to researchers via the UK Data Service (UKDS) or the Administrative Data Research Network (ADRN) under restricted access arrangements. This is to make sure this information is used responsibly and safely.

All information collected by and added to CNC is treated in the strictest confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation.

SOME ASSURANCES

- We are not asking to access information that relates to your parents, partners, brothers, sisters or children.
- Government departments and agencies will only receive the details they need to accurately identify your records, nothing more.
- Your decision about whether or not to add information from your records will not affect your benefits, tax, employment, health treatment or any health insurance.
- Your details cannot be used to see whether you are paying the right amount of tax or loan repayments or claiming the right type of benefits.
- This is not a way for the police to find things out about you that they didn’t already know.

WHAT DECISIONS DO I NEED TO MAKE?

You can decide to add information from all of the records we ask about, from just some of the records, or to add nothing at all - it’s your choice. We only do this with your permission.

We would like you to talk with your parent(s) or another adult you trust about this before the interviewer visits, but the choice will still be yours.

If you have any concerns, you can look at the FAQs on our website or get in touch with us using the details in this booklet - we’ll be happy to answer any of your questions.

WHAT IF I DON’T HAVE SOME OF THE RECORDS TO ADD?

- Not all the information we would like to add will be relevant to you right now, or, for some of you, ever.
- We know that not many of you will be at university now and some of you may not be intending to go. It would still be very useful to add information from these records, as it will mean that we can get to know about any university admissions and costs in the future.
- You may not be in work yet, but by adding this information about you we can learn about any future jobs you have.

WHATEVER DECISION YOU MAKE, WE WOULD STILL REALLY LIKE YOU TO TAKE PART IN THE SURVEY.
EDUCATION

WHAT INFORMATION WOULD BE ADDED?

Education and training records after age 16 including:

- Participation in school, further and higher education.
- Higher education applications and offers.
- Exam results.
- Payments of student loans.
- Vocational training and qualifications.

These records are kept by:

- In England, the Department for Education.
- In Wales, the Knowledge and Analytical Services within the Welsh Government.
- In Scotland, the Education Analytical Services Division of the Scottish Government, the Scottish Funding Council and the Student Awards Agency Scotland.
- In Northern Ireland, the Department of Education and the Department for the Economy.
- In all countries, the Higher Education Statistics Agency, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) and the Student Loans Company.

WHY ADD THIS INFORMATION?

Understanding young people’s experiences during and after leaving school can help provide better education and training opportunities for your generation and future ones too.

Adding higher education information gives important evidence about accessing university for your generation, as well as the impact of tuition fees and student debt on employment, income and living standards.

WHAT ABOUT MY EDUCATION RECORDS UP TO AGE 16?

When you were seven, your parents may have given their permission for the study to add information about your education up to age 16. If you wish, you can withdraw your parent’s permission to add this information at any time, without giving a reason.

WHAT IF I’VE LEFT EDUCATION?

It is useful to add information from all of these records, even if you did not continue in education after 16, in case your plans change in the future.
HEALTH

WHAT INFORMATION WOULD BE ADDED?

National Health Service (NHS) records including visits to health services, details of health conditions, medications, treatments and surgery, as well as NHS numbers.

The medical and health records for all patients using NHS health services throughout their lives are managed and maintained by:

- NHS Wales Informatics Service’s Information Services Division (ISD).
- Information Services Division (ISD) of NHS National Services Scotland.
- Health and Social Care (HSC) in Northern Ireland.

We would like to add information from your past, present and future health records - so from birth onwards - to the information we collect as part of the study.

WHY ADD THIS INFORMATION?

CNC has huge potential to advance understanding of health and illness, and to change the way that conditions are diagnosed, managed and treated.

ECONOMIC

WHAT INFORMATION WOULD BE ADDED?

Records kept by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and Northern Ireland Department for Communities, Social Security Agency) including information about benefit claims and participation in employment programmes.

Records kept by Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC) including information about jobs, earnings, tax, National Insurance, and pensions provided through employers.

WHY ADD THIS INFORMATION?

This information will help researchers find out about your generation at a time of big economic and political changes in the UK.
POLICE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

WHAT INFORMATION WOULD BE ADDED?

Police and criminal justice records including information on police arrests, official cautions, convictions and sentences.

Police and criminal justice records for those above the minimum age of criminal responsibility are held by:

- In England and Wales, the Ministry of Justice.
- In Scotland, Police Scotland, the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.
- In Northern Ireland, the Police Service and the Department of Justice.

WHY ADD THIS INFORMATION?

Crime figures tell us what types of crime are being committed and whether the crime rate is rising or falling. Adding information from police and criminal justice records will help researchers to understand much more about how different aspects of life affect whether people have contact with the police or commit crime.

This evidence can be used to develop and target policies to reduce and prevent crime.

WHEN DOES MY PERMISSION EXPIRE?

We'd like to add information relating to your past, present and future circumstances to the information that we collect as part of the study. We have not set an end date on the permissions that you give as we do not know exactly when we will receive or add the information. We will collect these records on an ongoing basis unless you tell us to stop. We have not set a time limit for how long we will keep your records. You can change your mind about adding information from these records or withdraw any of your permissions at any time, without giving us a reason. See the back page for how you can change your permissions.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

1. Please make sure that you have read this leaflet carefully.
2. Get in touch if you want to talk it over or if you have any questions. Or you may like to talk this over with your parent(s).
3. Choose which permissions you would like to give.
4. Make a note of your National Insurance number if you are willing to share this. You will be asked for this in the Survey. It can be found in the National Insurance letter sent to you when you turned 16, on your pay slip, P45, or P60.

You don't need to do anything else for now. The interviewer will ask you about which permissions you would like to give, and will give you a paper copy of any of the permissions you agree to.

WHATEVER DECISION YOU MAKE, WE WOULD STILL REALLY LIKE YOU TO TAKE PART IN THE SURVEY.
Further information leaflet for study members

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?
INFORMATION FOR STUDY MEMBERS

The interviewer will send your answers and measurements back to the CNC team. The team will also receive the information from the online survey if you complete this.

The information collected in the survey will not have your name or address on it.

The information will then be sent to the Centre for Longitudinal Studies and added together with the information collected from other young people in the survey. It will then be made available to researchers so they can find out about your generation.

The study is all about recording your life story. We have visited you from when you were a baby, throughout your childhood, and now we hope to follow you through your adult life too. We hope to visit you again in the next few years.

WHAT IF I WANT TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT THE THINGS IN THE SURVEY?

We hope you enjoyed taking part. If you are worried or have questions about anything in the survey, or anything else in your life, talking to someone about it can help. If you feel able to, the first person to talk to is a parent, other family member or someone else you trust.

Below are some numbers you can call if you feel like there isn’t anyone you can talk to.

The Mix (0808 808 4994)
Free, confidential advice and support for young people on a wide range of issues including relationships, health, money, crime, safety, work and study. You can call them, or get advice via webchat at www.themix.org.uk

Talk to FRANK (0300 123 6600)
Free, confidential advice on drugs and alcohol. You can text them on 82111, phone FRANK for free, or get advice via webchat at www.talktofrank.com

ChildLine (0800 1111)
A 24-hour helpline for young people aged up to 19. It is confidential and calls are free. You can also get advice by email or through a T24 chat at www.childline.org.uk

CONTACT DETAILS
If you have any questions about the survey you can contact the team at childnc@ipsos.com or on Freephone 0800 202 2102 between 9.30am and 5.30pm (Monday to Friday).

Find out more about Child of the New Century:
www.childnc.net  childnc@ucl.ac.uk  Freephone 0800 092 1250  @childnewcentury www.facebook.com/childofthenewcentury

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!
Prenotification letter for study members

Dear Study Member,

Could you help us with the next important stage of Child of the New Century? Child of the New Century has followed you since you were a baby, visiting you every few years to chart your life’s journey. It is one of the most important studies of its kind. Researchers all over the world use it to find out what life is like for young people growing up in the UK today.

**FINDINGS FROM THE AGE 14 SURVEY**
You should have received a leaflet along with this letter. This leaflet contains the first findings from the Age 14 Survey, covering topics such as your expectations around going to university and the jobs you hope to have, as well as what we’ve found about the health of your generation. I hope you find it interesting.

**ABOUT THE AGE 17 SURVEY**
The next survey will be in 2018 when you are 17 years old. We will write to you again closer to the time to give you more information about it, and invite you to take part. An interviewer will then get in touch to find out whether you wish to take part this time. We very much hope you will take part again, as your contribution to the study is unique and irreplaceable. But it is of course your decision, and the interviewer will be happy to discuss this with you.

If you have any questions, or would prefer not to take part, please call us on Freephone 0800 092 1250 or email us at childnc@ucl.ac.uk.

You can keep up to date with the study through the website at [www.childnc.net](http://www.childnc.net). You’ll find lots of information about taking part and what we’ve learned. You can also like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/childofthenewcentury](http://www.facebook.com/childofthenewcentury) and follow us on Twitter @childnewcentury.

I very much hope that you will be happy to help us with this important study.

Professor Emla Fitzsimons
Study Director
Prenotification letter for parents

CHID OF THE NEW CENTURY

Dear Parent(s),

Can you help us with the next important stage of Child of the New Century? Your child is one of the 19,000 children born in the UK in 2000/2001 whose lives are being followed by Child of the New Century, to understand what it's like to grow up in the UK today. It is widely considered to be one of the most important surveys in the UK.

FINDINGS FROM THE AGE 14 SURVEY

The enclosed leaflet contains some of the first findings from the Age 14 Survey, covering topics such as university expectations and career aspirations at 14, the influence of parents on their children's vocabulary, and what we've found about the health of the children of the new century. I hope that you find it interesting.

ABOUT THE AGE 17 SURVEY

The next survey will be in 2018, when your child will be 17 years old. We will write to you again nearer the time to give you more details about what is involved. An interviewer will then get in touch to find out whether your family wishes to take part this time. We really hope you and your child will take part again.

If you have any questions, or would prefer not to take part, please call us on Freephone 0800 092 1250 or email us at childnc@ucl.ac.uk.

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Thank you again for the help you have given us so far with this important study. We very much hope that you will be willing to help us again.

With kind regards,

Professor Emla Fitzsimons
Study Director
Advance letter for study members (waves 1-4)

<<YP title>>
<<YP First name>>
<<YP Surname>>
<<YP address>>
<<YP address>>
<<YP address>>

Ref: <<IM serial number>>: 16060822

Dear <<YP First name>>,

I am writing to invite you and your family to help with Child of the New Century (CNC). CNC is an important research study following the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001. As you know, you are one of those young people who have been chosen out of all the people in the country of your age.

Now that you are 17, we would like to visit you to find out how you are getting on. Your help with the study is very important to us.

We realise you were unable to take part in the last survey. We are especially keen to speak with you now that you are 17 to find out how you are getting on. Your help with the study is very important to us.

What do I need to do?

Please read the booklet included with this letter, which tells you what the survey involves.

What’s next?

An interviewer from Ipsos MORI (an independent research organisation) will come to your home to do the survey with you and your parent(s). Before they do so, they will get in touch with you or your parent to arrange a convenient time to visit if you wish to take part. They can also answer any questions you may have. Their name and contact details can be found at the bottom of this letter. All interviewers are fully trained, and carry an identification card with their photograph.

What if I have questions?

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I hope you will help us with this important study.

Professor Emia Fitzsimons, Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ...........................................................

Contact number: ............................................................................
Advance letter for parents (waves 1-4)

CHILD OF THE
NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

<<Title>><<First name>><<Surname>> & <<Title>><<First name>><<Surname>>

<<Address>>
<<Address>>

Ref: <<IM serial number>> 16-060822

<<Month>><<Year>>

Dear <<Parent 1 first name>> (and Parent 2 first name>>

I am writing to invite you to help with the next stage of Child of the New Century (CNC). CNC is an important national study that follows the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001. As you know, your child is one of those young people who have been chosen out of all of the people in the country of their age.

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What do I need to do?

We would like to invite you to take part by completing a short online questionnaire, a one-page paper questionnaire and being present when the interviewer visits your child. The enclosed booklet tells you more about what the survey will involve. Please read this before the interviewer visits. Your own participation is likely to take less time than if you have taken part in CNC previously.

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Who is carrying out the survey?

The survey is being carried out on behalf of the Centre for Longitudinal Studies at University College London.

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I hope that you will be able to help with this important study.
Advance letter for study members (waves 5-8)

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

<<YP title>><<YP First name>><<YP Surname>>
<<YP address>>
<<YP address>>
Ref: <<IM serial number>>16 060822
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Dear <<YP First name>>,

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**Why is it important for me to take part this time?**

<< Age 17 is a really important time in your life and we are especially keen to hear what your life is like now. You are a unique part of the picture - no one else can take your place.>>

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**What does taking part involve?**

- The visit has fewer activities than if you have taken part in CNC previously, and far less for your parent(s) to do.
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Professor Emilia Fitzsimons, Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ........................................................................................................

Contact number: ........................................................................................................
Advance letter for parents (waves 5-8)

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

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Professor Emta Fitzsimons, Study Director

Your interviewer will be: __________________________________________

Contact number: ____________________________________________

Ipsos MORI
Generic advance letter for study members (Waves 1-4)

Ref:

Dear

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What do I need to do?

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I hope you will help us with this important study.

Professor Emla Fitzsimons, Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ______________________________________________________

Contact number: ____________________________________________________________

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Ipsos MORI
Generic advance letter for study members (Waves 5-8)

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

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Professor Emia Fitzsimons, Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ........................................................................................................................................

Contact number: ...............................................................................................................................................
Generic advance letter for parents (Waves 1-4)

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Professor Emilia Fitzsimons,
Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ________________________________________________________________

Contact number: ________________________________________________________________
Generic advance letter for parents (Waves 5-8)

Ref:

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Professor Emia Fitzsimons,
Study Director

Your interviewer will be: ..............................
Contact number: ..............................
Further to our recent conversation, I confirm that I have arranged to visit your family for the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey on ........................................ at ..........................................................

Before I visit, it would be helpful if you could:

- Read the information booklets provided
- Find your National Insurance Number (study members only)

If you need to rearrange the appointment, please contact me on the number below.

Name: ........................................ Contact number: ........................................
Date ........................................ Ref............................................................../16-060822

Dear...........................................................

Earlier today I called to speak to you and your family about the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey. You were out when I called but I will try again in the next few days. If you would prefer to contact me to make an appointment or if you have any questions about the survey, please call me on .................................................................

Alternatively, you can leave a message on Freephone 0808 202 2102 quoting the reference number above.

Interviewer: .................................................................

16-060822/F03
Information sheet for study members - online questionnaire

Completing a questionnaire online

Young person name: ..............................................................

We would like to ask you to complete a short questionnaire online. You can complete it using a PC, laptop, tablet or smartphone. You can decide which one you would prefer, although you might find it easier to complete on a computer or tablet. It should take around 15 minutes but take as long as you need. If you don't want to answer a question that's ok, you can skip it. Completing the questionnaire online is safe and secure. The information you give us will be held securely and be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation.

Please complete the questionnaire in the next 10 days.

What should I do?

1. Open a web browser and enter: www.cnksurvey.co.uk into the address bar.
2. This will bring you to the landing page of the questionnaire, which should look like this:

PC: 

Phone:

3. Select the button for the 'Young Person' questionnaire.
4. This will bring you to the log-in page of the questionnaire.
5. Enter your unique username and password:
   - Username (7 digits): __________________________
   - Password (6 digits): __________________________
6. Click the 'Login' button to start the questionnaire. Ideally we would like you to complete it in one go, but you can always make a start and complete it later if needed. You can do this by going back to the website, clicking the 'Young Person' button, re-entering your username and password and clicking 'Login'. This will take you to where you left off.

Over the next two weeks, you may receive an invitation text or email and text or email reminders to complete the questionnaire.

How can I get help?

If you would like more information about completing this online, see the FAQs on the study website: www.childcnc.net/faqs. Or you can contact the team by telephone on Freephone 0800 202 2102 or email childnc@ipsos.com.

Thank you for your help!
Information sheet for parents – online questionnaire

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Parent name: .................................................................

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If you don’t want to answer a question that’s ok, you can skip it. Completing the questionnaire online is safe and secure. The information you give us will be held securely and be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation.

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   ![Image of PC screen]

   Phone:

   ![Image of phone screen]

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   Username (7 digits): ____________________________
   
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Thank you for your help!
CONSENT BOOKLET

Serial number of study member: 100
Name of study member (PRINT): 

Consent form ID: 348500
Interviewer number: 

16-060812/CO01
CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

We’d like your permission to add information about you from administrative records, held by a number of government departments and agencies, to the information we collect throughout the study. Please read each permission carefully, then tick a ‘yes’ or ‘no’ box for each one, then sign and date the form.

More information about this can be found in the ‘Adding other information about you’ booklet.

**Education records**

Records kept by
- the Department for Education in England
- the Knowledge and Analytical Services - Welsh Government
- the Education Analytical Services - Scottish Government, the Scottish Funding Council and the Student Awards Agency Scotland
- the Department of Education and the Department for the Economy in Northern Ireland
- the Higher Education Statistics Agency

including information about participation in school, further and higher education, exam results, vocational training and qualifications, after age 16.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth to be passed to the departments and agencies named above so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

Records kept by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) including information about higher education applications and offers.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth to be passed to the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

Records kept by the Student Loans Company including information about payments of student loans.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth, and National Insurance (NI) number (if held), to be passed to the Student Loans Company so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

**Health records**

Records kept by
- NHS Digital in England
- NHS Wales Information Services Division (ISD)
- Information Services Division (ISD) of NHS National Services Scotland
- Health and Social Care (HSC) in Northern Ireland

including information about use of health services, health conditions and treatments provided.

- I give permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth, and NHS number (if held) to be passed to the above named organisations so my NHS health records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

**Economic records**

Records kept by Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC) including information about jobs, earnings, tax, National Insurance and pensions provided through employers.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth, and National Insurance (NI) number (if held), to be passed to HMRC so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.
We’d like your permission to add information about you from administrative records, held by a number of government departments and agencies, to the information we collect throughout the study. Please read each permission carefully, then tick a ‘yes’ or ‘no’ box for each one, then sign and date the form.

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  - Yes
  - No

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  - Yes
  - No

Records kept by the Student Loans Company including information about payments of student loans.

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  - Yes
  - No

**Health records**

Records kept by

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- Information Services Division (ISD) of NHS National Services Scotland
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including information about use of health services, health conditions and treatments provided.

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Records kept by Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC) including information about jobs, earnings, tax, National Insurance and pensions provided through employers.

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  - Yes
  - No
CHILD OF THE
NEW CENTURY

Economic records (continued)

Records kept by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)/Northern Ireland Department for Communities, Social Security Agency (SSA) including information about benefit receipt and participation in employment programmes.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth, and National Insurance (NI) number (if held), to be passed to the DWP/SSA so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

National Insurance Number

If you give permission for us to add information held about you by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)/Social Security Agency (SSA), Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC) or the Student Loans Company (SLC), your National Insurance Number can help these organisations to identify your records accurately.

- Please enter your National Insurance (NI) Number if you are happy for us to send this to the DWP / SSA, HMRC and the SLC.

The NI number should be in the following format: AB 12 12 12 A

Police and criminal justice records

Records held by

- the Ministry of Justice in England and Wales
- Police Scotland, the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service in Scotland
- the Police Service and the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland

including information about police arrests, official cautions, convictions and sentences.

- I give my permission for my name, address, sex and date of birth to be passed to the above named organisations so that my records can be identified and sent to the Child of the New Century research team to be added to my study information.

Confirmation

I have read and understood the information provided in the “Adding other information about you” booklet. I have asked the interviewer named below any questions. I give permission for my information to be added to the answers from the study, as indicated above. I understand that the information will be treated in strict confidence and used for research purposes only. I understand that the Child of the New Century team will add information from my administrative records for the duration of the study and will only stop doing this if I withdraw my permission. I can withdraw any of my permissions at any time by writing to: FREEPOST RTKC-KLJU-RSEH, Child of the New Century, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AL, or emailing CNC at: childco@ucl.ac.uk.

Signed by study member

Date

Interviewer confirmation

I confirm that I have explained the nature of the “Adding other information” request to the study member named on this form. I confirm that they have read or heard the “Adding other information about you” booklet. I confirm that I have answered any questions they had, and they have given their consent voluntarily. I have left a copy of this form with them.

Name of interviewer (print)

Date

Signed by interviewer

Date

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CHECKLIST (optional)

Household interview

Study member
Interview (CAPI)
Consent booklet completed
Questionnaire (CASI)
CAWI placement
Cognitive assessment
Height measurement
Weight / Body fat measurement
Measurement postcard (if requested)

Parent 1
Strengths and difficulties paper questionnaire
CAWI placement

Parent 2
CAWI placement

Before leaving the household
Thank you gift
“What happens next?” leaflet
Copies of consent form
Ipsos MORI/NatCen thank you leaflet

After leaving the household
Final Element CAI module
Complete ECS
Physical measurements summary sheet

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY
Physical Measurements Summary Sheet

HEIGHT MEASUREMENT

Assembling the height measure
1. Ensure the four measuring sections are in the correct order by matching the icons (star to star) (circle to circle) (square to square).
2. Ensure the measuring sections have only one colour on each side.
3. Ensure both stabilisers are on the correct way round – i.e., facing the wall.
4. Ensure one stabiliser is on the first measuring section and the other is on the fourth above the blue measuring arm. Ensure both stabilisers are clear of joints.
5. Ensure the blue measuring arm is on correctly – i.e., right way up and facing the base plate.
6. Ensure the assembled height measure is against a wall or door.

Preparing the young person
1. Ensure the young person’s shoes and socks or tights are removed. Ensure they have nothing in their pockets and they are wearing light clothing.
2. Ask young person to take off glasses if worn and remove hair accessories and hairstyles that may affect the reading.

Taking the measurement
1. Ensure the blue measuring arm is raised to allow sufficient room for the young person to stand beneath it.
2. Ask the young person to stand correctly:
   - their feet together flat on the centre of the base plate (on footprints if present)
   - heels as close together as possible touching the back of the base plate
   - legs and back should be as straight as possible and against the height measure.
   - the back of their head should also be in contact with the height measure.
   - facing forward and arms hanging loosely by sides
3. Slide the blue measuring arm by the handle firmly on to the young person’s head, ensuring the blade touches the skull.
4. Stand in front of the young person and place the palms of your hands on their cheeks and your fingers resting on the top of the bony bits just behind the ears.
5. Tilt the young person’s head forward until it is in the Frankfurt Plane. The young person’s head should raise the blue measuring arm.
6. Release the young person’s head and ask them to duck off the base plate ensuring they do not knock the blue measuring arm.

Recording the measurement
1. Take the height measurement in metric units from between the red pointers to the nearest completed millimetre.
2. Immediately record the measurement in CAP, the number of attempts made, time measurement was taken, any special circumstances and other information. Do not read the measurement out loud.

Dismantling and packing away
1. Slot stabilisers into ends of measuring sections.
2. Slot measuring sections correctly into base plate.
3. Slot measuring arm into base plate (turn it upside down to do this).
4. Place height measure into the box and secure with strap.
WEIGHT AND BODY FAT MEASUREMENT

Preparing the equipment and young person

1. Place the scales on a firm, level surface.
2. Ensure the young person’s shoes and socks or tights are removed. Ensure they have removed belts, have nothing in their pockets and are wearing light clothing.
3. IMPORTANT: Make sure young person does not have a pacemaker or other internal electrical device or, if female, is not pregnant before taking body fat.

Taking the measurement – weight and body fat

1. Check scales are set to Kg mode by pressing grey ‘kg/lb’ button.
2. Switch the scales on by pressing the yellow ‘ON/SET’ button on the right hand side of the hand-held console. The console will beep and the display screen will flash with the default age (30).
3. Enter the young person’s age in years from CAPI. Use the yellow arrow buttons to scroll down to the desired age. Press the ‘SET’ button to confirm the selection. The console will beep.
4. Enter the young person’s gender from CAPI using the yellow arrow buttons. Then press the ‘SET’ button to confirm the selection. The console will beep.
5. Next enter the young person’s height in whole centimetres from CAPI. The console will display the default height (170). Use the arrow buttons to scroll down to the desired height. Press the ‘SET’ button to confirm the selection. The console will beep.
6. The console will beep twice and the display will show ‘0.0’. Ask the young person to step onto the scales.
7. The young person should stand with both feet flat on the surface of the foot pads. Make sure their feet are positioned touching the front and back foot pads. The young person should face forward, stand up straight with their arms by their sides. They should stand still.
8. Once stabilised, the weight measurement will appear in the display and the scales will beep. You should not attempt to note the weight at this point.
9. The young person should remain on the scales while their body fat is measured. Five zeros (00000) will appear on the display. After they have all disappeared, the scales will beep twice to indicate that body fat has been measured. Ask the young person to step off the scales.
10. The display will rotate between body fat percentage (%) and the weight (kg) for about 30 seconds. You should enter both the weight and body fat percentage into CAPI at this point. Do not read the measurements out loud.
11. The scales will turn off automatically after about 30 seconds. Press the OFF button to turn the scales off before 30 seconds. In order to take the measurement again, you should turn the scales off and back on again.

Taking the measurement – weight only

1. Check scales are set to Kg mode by pressing grey ‘kg/lb’ button.
2. To turn the scales on in weight only mode, press the red WEIGHT button.
3. The display will show 6880.0 (and beep) and then display 0.0’ (and beep).
4. Ask the young person to step onto the scales.
5. The young person should stand with both feet flat on the surface of the foot pads. The young person should face forward, stand up straight with their arms by their sides. They should stand still.
6. Once stabilised, the weight measurement will appear on the display and the scales will beep and the display will flash.
7. Take the weight from the display with the young person on the scales and enter it into CAPI. Then ask them to step off the scales. Do not read the measurement out loud.

Recording the measurement

Immediately record the measurements from the console display into CAPI, whether the young person was barefoot or socks/tights were worn, the number of attempts made, and whether the scales were placed on an uneven floor, a carpet, or neither. In addition, record whether there were any special circumstances that affected the measurement and any additional information.
Physical measurements showcard

CARD PHYS1

1  I have a pacemaker or other internal electrical device fitted

2  I am pregnant
Frankfurt plane card
Physical measurements postcard

WHAT ARE MY MEASUREMENTS?

Name: ................. Date: .......... Time: ........

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( ................. feet ................. inches)

My weight? ................. kilograms

( ................. stones ................. pounds)

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**Study FAQs**

**Why should I take part?**
By taking part in Child of the New Century, you are helping to make life better for others in your generation, as well as for future generations. Politicians, teachers, doctors, nurses, and others use findings from the study to improve services and inform policies to help young people.

**How long will it take?**
The household visit will usually take less time than when you were visited a few years ago when study members were 14 although this will depend on the circumstances of your family/household. The leaflets tell you how long each thing we’d like you to do will take.

**Why age 17?**
Age 17 is an important time in young people’s lives - at this point you may be thinking about going on to university or what jobs you’d like in the future, and some of you will already be working or doing an apprenticeship. You are making decisions now that could shape the rest of your lives and we’d like to get an insight into this.

**Who runs the study?**
The study is managed by the Centre for Longitudinal Studies at University College London. The university works with two companies called Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research, which have lots of experience doing research with young people and their families.

**Who is paying for the survey?**
This study is funded by:
- the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), and
- a range of government departments in the UK.

**Will these funders see my replies?**
No, they will not know who said what. The names and addresses of respondents interviewed in this survey are known only to the small team of researchers at Ipsos MORI, the National Centre for Social Research and the Centre for Longitudinal Studies involved in this study. Names and addresses will be kept separate from answers to the questionnaires, and will never be revealed without permission from the respondent. This means that replies can never be personally identified.

**How can I be sure you are a genuine interviewer?**
All interviewers who work for Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research carry an identity card on them at all times. They will also have with them a copy of the letter sent to young people and parent(s) in advance informing them that an interviewer would be contacting them shortly about the survey. The identity of interviewers working for Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research can be verified by calling the Freephone number (0808 202 202).

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WHAT HAS CNC FOUND OUT?

The CNC website has lots of examples of findings from the study: www.childnc.net. Here are some of the findings:

PREGNANCY

- Children whose mothers drank heavily while they were pregnant were more likely to have behaviour problems at age 3 than those whose mothers didn’t drink or drank lightly.
- Having only one or two alcoholic drinks a week during pregnancy is not related to children’s behaviour or abilities at later ages.

HOME AND FAMILY

- Childhood wellbeing is not related to the amount of money a family has.
- Moving homes, often considered a major life event, doesn’t affect children’s development.
- Children who have a regular bedtime tend to do better at school in areas such as reading and maths than those who don’t. The same researchers found that children who go to bed at the same time every night benefit from being in a better mood and generally get on better with others.

SCHOOL

- The month in which children were born could influence which classes or sets they are in. Children born in the summer months were more likely to be placed in lower sets because they were almost a year younger than their classmates born in September.

HAPPINESS AND ASPIRATIONS

- In the Age 11 Survey more than half of young people said they were ‘completely happy’ at school, while nearly 3 in 4 were ‘completely happy’ at home.
- Overall, the most popular jobs with children in the Age 7 Survey included teacher, scientist, hairdresser, sports player, firefighter, vet, doctor, artist and builder.
Data linkage FAQs

**ADDING OTHER INFORMATION - FAQs**

**What are administrative records?**
Government departments and agencies routinely collect administrative information to help them plan and provide the services we need. Administrative information is stored in administrative records. An example would be our school records which are held by the education department within the government.

**What is the ‘Adding other information’ request about?**
We’d like to add some of your information held in administrative records to the information we collect about you as part of the study.

**What information about me do you want to add?**
The information we would like to add is kept in your education, health, work and benefits records, as well as any police and criminal justice records you may have.

**Why is adding other information important?**
Adding extra information from administrative records helps us build a more complete picture of your life. It allows us to fill in the blanks for details you may not know or remember (for example the date of a hospital visit); to spot new trends and connections; as well as understand what policies and services work and which do not. Adding administrative information has already, for example, helped change the way we tackle bullying and support summer born children in schools and assess school performance more fairly.

**How do we add this information?**
With your permission, we send your unique ID (unique identifier) and some personal details such as your name, sex, address and date of birth, your NHS and National Insurance (NI) number - if available, to each of the named government departments and agencies. We do not send your survey responses or other information about you. Your administrative records are then identified and the information from these records is sent back to the CNC team along with your unique ID. Your personal details are not included in the file that is sent back to us. These are destroyed after your records have been identified. The CNC team then match your administrative records to your survey responses using your unique ID.

**Why do you need to use my name / address / date of birth /NHS and NI number?**
We use information which is unique to you so that your records can be identified by the government department or agency who hold records about you.

**Will the people who hold my information see my survey answers?**
Government departments and agencies will only receive the personal details they need to establish an accurate match to your records - such as name, address, date of birth, NI or NHS number - if available - nothing more. After your records have been identified, these details will be deleted. No information that you have given us during the study will be added to your administrative records.

**How do you keep my information safe?**
The information is encrypted and sent via secure transfer systems. All information collected by and added to CNC is treated with the strictest confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

**Who will use the information?**
The matched information, which includes information from both your administrative records and your survey responses, will be used for research purposes only and under restricted access conditions via the UK Data Service (UKDS) or the Administrative Data Research Network (ADRN). This information will never contain your name, address, NHS and NI number, or date of birth.

**Can I be identified?**
No. At no point will your name or address be connected to your matched information. We have strict controls about the way that information is added together to ensure that no one can work out who you are. Information from different administrative records will not be included in the same data file if it is possible to identify you.
What if I don't have a particular record?
Not all the information we would like to add will be relevant to you right now or, for some of you, ever. For example, we know that not many of you will be at university now and some of you may not be intending to go. It would still be very useful to add information from these records, as it will mean that we can get to know about any university admissions and costs in the future. You may not be in work yet, but by adding this information about you we can learn about any future jobs you have.

Have you asked me this before?
This is the first time you have been asked to give your own permission to add information about you.

Have you asked my parents about this before?
When you were 7, your parents were asked for their permission to add some of your health (up to age 14) and education (up to age 16) records to the information that we have collected about you as part of the study. We also asked them for permission to add your siblings' health and educations records - if relevant, as well as their own health and economic records.

How do the permissions that I give now relate to my parents' permissions given in the past?
Your parents' permission to add information from your education records (up to age 16) will remain valid in all countries, and your own permissions at Age 17 will enable us to add information from your education and training records after age 16.

In England, the permissions that you give at Age 17 for adding health records will override those that your parents may have given when you were 7. In other words, your permissions now will be used to add information from your health records from birth onwards. In Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, your parents' permission to add information from your health records up to age 14 will remain valid regardless of any permissions given at Age 17.

Can my parent(s) decide on my behalf?
This is a decision that you might want to involve your parent(s) in, so we would like you to discuss this with them, if you wish. However, it is your choice.

Do I have to give permission to all consents?
No. You can agree for us to add information from all of the records we ask about, from just some of the records or to add nothing at all - it's your choice.

Can I take part in the survey if I don't agree to add information?
Yes. Whatever decision you make, we would still really like you to take part in the survey.

Can I check what I agreed to add?
The interviewer will give you a paper copy of the permissions that you have agreed to at the end of their visit. You can also call the study team to confirm this.

How long will the permission last?
The information we'd like to add relates to your past, present and future circumstances. The CNC team will collect this information on an ongoing basis for the duration of the study unless you tell us to stop.

Can I change my permissions or those of my parents given on my behalf?
Yes. You can change your mind about adding information from these records or withdraw any of your permissions at any time, without giving us any reason. This applies for any permissions that your parents might have given on your behalf in the past. We will then stop adding information from these records in the future. To change your permissions, please email the CNC team at childnc@ucl.ac.uk or write free of charge to: FREEPOST RTHC-KLUU-RSBD, Child of the New Century, 20 Bedford Way, London, WC1H OAL.

How long will you keep my data?
We have not set a time limit for how long we will keep your data. This applies to both data collected in the surveys and any data linked in to your survey data.

Can I see information from my records?
You have a basic right to request any information held about you by any data holding organisation at any given time. If you want to see the full information included about you by any of the data holding government departments or agencies, you need to enquire directly with the individual organisations. We would be happy to provide you contact details for doing so.
Interviewer top tips for engagement

TOP TIPS FOR ENGAGING 17 YEAR OLDS

• Establish trust between you and the young person as soon as possible; use their name, be interested in them.

• Treat young people as adults not children, but involve parent(s).

• Emphasise the importance of their role in the study; it’s relevant to their lives, their generation and future generations.

• Be prepared to reassure on concerns, particularly confidentiality, privacy and data security.

• Be flexible and emphasise that you can fit around their schedule - young people are busy!

• Participation is voluntary. Young people can decide to do some things and not others and change their mind at any point.
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**Study member's details:**

- **Title:**
- **First name:**
- **Surname:**
- **DOB (DD/MM/YY):**
- **Mobile number:**
- **Email:**
- **Ref:**
  (This can be found on any letter you have received from the study)

**Study member's new address:**

- *(Please only enter new and permanent new addresses, not temporary addresses such as university)*
- **Postcode:**
- **Home tel. number:**
- **Date of move (DD/MM/YY):**
- **Parent's details**
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  - **Surname:**
  - **Mobile number:**
  - **Email:**

Once complete, insert the stamped, self-addressed envelope (envelope and stamp not needed). You can also update your details online at www.plume.org or by phoning +44 (0) 1268 588032 or emailing info@plume.org.uk.
Dear Sir/Madam,

We are trying to make contact with the person named below who is part of a very important research programme. According to our records, they are living at this address. An interviewer from one of our partner organisations, Ipsos MORI or the National Centre for Social Research (Independent research organisations), has visited the address several times but has been unable to find anyone at home.

If you are the person, please let us know that you are still living here and we will ask the interviewer to try to make contact with you again. If this letter has been forwarded to you from a different address, please let us have the full details of your current address. By giving us your address, you are not agreeing to take part again, though, of course, we hope that you will wish to do so.

If you are not the person named below, please can you help by forwarding this letter to them; or by giving us details of their new address, or the name and address of someone who can?

If you do not know of any way of getting in touch with this person, please let us know so that we can avoid bothering you again.

Please complete the form below and return it in the enclosed Freepost envelope - you won’t need a stamp if you post it in the UK. If you prefer, you can contact the survey team by email at cohort@ipsos.com or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday).

Thank you for your help.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Emilia Fitzsimons, Study Director

We are trying to contact: ........................................................................ [PARENT]

Serial number: ............................................................................................

Please tick the appropriate box below, and give details requested.

A. I am the person named above.................................................................................. [ ]
B. I am not the person named above, but I know a forwarding address for them ................ [ ]
C. I am not the person named above but I know someone who may be able to help ........... [ ]
D. I do not know the whereabouts of the person named above........................................ [ ]

THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE TREATED IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE.
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If you are the person named overleaf, please also complete the following:

Surname: ........................................................................................................................................

First name(s): ............................................................................................................................... Date of birth: .................................................................

Please help by completing this form and returning it in the enclosed Freepost envelope - you won't need a stamp if you post it in the UK. If you have any questions email cohort@ipsos.com or call Freephone 0808 202 2102.
Schools tracing letter

Institute of Education

Date: ............................................
Serial number: ..............................

Dear Head Teacher,

Child of the New Century – Age 17 Survey

We are writing to seek your help to contact:

Name .................................................................................. [STUDY MEMBER]  Date of Birth ..............................................

The young person named above has previously participated in the Child of the New Century Study, a UK wide multi-disciplinary longitudinal birth cohort following the lives of over 19,000 children born in the UK in 2000/2001. Information has been collected from families when the children were aged 9 months, 3 years, 5 years, 7 years, 11 years and 14 years. The Age 17 Survey is currently taking place.

This major study seeks to improve our understanding of how events and circumstances in early life, including schooling and educational development, impact on outcomes and achievements later on.

The study is run by the Centre for Longitudinal Studies (CLS), which is part of the UCL Institute of Education, University College London. The study is funded by the ESRC (the national Economic and Social Research Council) and several government departments, including those with responsibility for education. Interviewers from Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations) are conducting the interviews.

We are writing to seek your help in contacting the young person named above. The young person’s family participated in previous rounds of the study when they told us that the young person was attending or planning to attend your school. We have recently tried to contact the family at the last known address we have for them but have been unable to locate them and believe they may have moved to a different address. We would like to contact the young person to invite them to take part in the Age 17 Survey. If you know the young person’s current address, we would be grateful if you could forward the enclosed pack to them.

If you have any questions please contact the survey team by email at childnc@ipsos.com or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday). You can also visit the website for study members (www.childnc.net) or the CLS website (www.cls.-ioe.ac.uk).

Thank you in anticipation of your help.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Professor Emla Fitzsimons, Study Director
Schools tracing letter for study member

Dear [STUDY MEMBER],

I am writing to invite you to help us with preparations for the next stage of Child of the New Century. This is an important research study. It follows the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001 and is used to find out what it is like to grow up in the UK today. It helps to improve services and support for young people and their families across the UK. You may have taken part in the study when you were 9 months old and again when you were 3, 5, 7, 11 and 14. Your help then was very much appreciated.

Now that you are 17, we would very much like to visit you to find out how you are getting on.

An interviewer from Ipsos MORI or the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations) has recently been trying to contact you at the last known address we have for you to invite you to take part in the Age 17 Survey, but has unfortunately been unable to do so. In order to try to contact you, we wrote to the Head Teacher of the school that you were intending to attend and they kindly agreed to send this letter to you.

I would be very grateful if you would let us know your current address. You can return the form below in the enclosed Freepost envelope - you will not need a stamp if you post it in the UK. If you prefer you can contact the survey team by email at chld17@ipsos.com or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9.30 am and 5.30 pm (Monday to Friday).

By giving us your name and address you are not agreeing to be interviewed for the Age 17 Survey. You can decide that when the interviewer contacts you. If you do take part, your answers will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation.

If you have any questions about the study, or would prefer not to be contacted again, please call the Freephone number above.

Thank you very much for your help.
Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Professor Emla Fitzsimons
Study Director

Please complete this form using BLOCK CAPITALS

Title ___________________________ First name ___________________________ Surname ___________________________

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Email address ___________________________________________________________

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Please return the completed form in the enclosed Freepost envelope - you won’t need a stamp if you post it in the UK.

If you have any questions about this form, or about Child of the New Century please call:

Freephone 0808 202 2102 or email at childnc@ipsos.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

Freepost Plus RTXL-JBSL-JEBU, Madalina Radu, Child of the New Century, Ipsos MORI
3 Thomas More Square  London  E1W 1YW
Stable contact letter

Date

Dear .................................................................

I would like to ask your help with the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey. It follows the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001 and is used to find out how they grow up. It helps to improve services and support for young people and their families across the UK. A young person that you know helped us with the study when they were aged 6 months, 3, 5, 7, 11 or 14.

We have recently been trying to get in touch with the family of the young person named below so that we can invite them to take part in the Age 17 Survey.

Name ........................................................................... [STUDY MEMBER]

Unfortunately we have been unable to do so as they are no longer living at the address that we have on record for them. A member of this family gave us your name and address and their permission to contact you if they moved address, so we can try to find out where they have moved to.

If you know where they are living, please let the survey team know their address. You can contact the team by email at childrc@ipos.com or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday). If you prefer you can return the form below in the enclosed Freepost envelope – you will not need a stamp if you post it in the UK.

By telling us their address, you are not committing them to taking part again. They will be able to decide this for themselves when we get in touch with them.

If you know their address but would prefer to pass this letter on to this family and ask them to return it to us ourselves, please do so. If the family has any questions about the study, or would prefer not to be contacted again, please ask them to let us know.

Thank you very much for your help.
Yours sincerely,

Professor Emia Fitzsimons
Study Director

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Please turn over
Thank you for your help.

Freephone 0808 202 2102 or email at childnc@ipson.com
Tracing letter

Date............................................................

Dear ....................................................................................... [PARENT]

I am writing to invite you to help us with the next stage of Child of the New Century. This is an important national study. It follows the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001 and is used to find out how they grow up. It helps to improve services and support for young people and their families across the UK. You may have taken part in the study when your child was 9 months old and again when he or she was 3, 5, 7, 11 and 14. Your help then was very much appreciated.

Now that your child is 17 we would very much like to come and find out how your family is getting on. Your continued participation in the study is very important to us.

An interviewer from Ipsos MORI or the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations) spoke to:

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who did not wish to give your address without your permission, but did agree to send this letter to you. I would be most grateful if you would let us know your child’s address.

You can contact the survey team by email at: [email_address] or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday). If you prefer you can return the form below in the enclosed Freepost envelope - you will not need a stamp if you post it in the UK.

By giving us your child’s address you are not committing yourself or them to be interviewed for the Age 17 Survey. You can decide that when the interviewer contacts you. If you do take part, your answers will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation.

If you have any questions about the study, or would prefer not to be contacted again, please call the Freephone number above.

Thank you very much for your help.
Yours sincerely,

Professor Emily Fitzsimons
Study Director

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If you have any questions about this form, or about Child of the New Century please call:

**Freephone 0800 202 2102** or email at **childnc@ipsos.com**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP**

Freepost Plus RTXL-JBSL-JEBU
Nadaiina Radu, Child of the New Century, Ipsos MORI
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Fieldwork preparation letter for interviewers

Child of the New Century Briefing 16-060822
20th November 2017

Dear Interviewer,

RE: Child of the New Century: Age 17 Survey - FIELDWORK PREPARATION TASKS

This pack contains instructions on the tasks you will need to carry out before Day 1 of the briefing, and between the two briefing days. It also provides you with details on when you will receive the equipment that you will need to work on the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey.

The tasks detailed here, together with the briefing, will ensure you are fully prepared to conduct your interviews.

Before the briefings
We are asking you to conduct two tasks before Day 1 of the briefing:

1. Recruit two young people aged 16 or 17, so that you can practice the survey with them.

The materials for these practice sessions are provided in this pack. These are:
- Practice interview instructions
- Practice quota sheet
- Practice advance letter for parent
- Practice advance letter for young person
- Information sheet for parent
- Information sheet for young person
- Further information leaflet for young people
- Measurements postcards x2
- Gift for the young person (keyring – one per young person)
- Pencil and paper for the cognitive assessment
- Physical measurement wipes

At the briefing, you will receive the following materials in your briefing folders to use during the practice sessions:
- Physical measurements summary sheet
- Frankfurt Plane card
- Physical measurement showcard
- Cognitive assessment booklet x1
- Cognitive assessment laminate

Full physical measurement and cognitive assessment instructions will be given at the briefing.

2. Familiarisation with Child of the New Century. We would like you to spend some time familiarising yourself with the Child of the New Century study prior to attending the briefing. We would like you to do that even if you worked on the Age 14 Survey, as the things we’d like you to look at are new. The best source of current information is the CNC respondent website. On there, we’d like you to read the ‘About’ section (https://childnc.net/about/), FAQs (https://childnc.net/faqs), and the study findings page (https://childnc.net/what-have-we-learned).

By looking at these you will gain an understanding of why the study is important, what researchers have learned from the data that has been gathered to date, and why the study members are so special. We
are asking you to do this ahead of the briefing as we have a lot to cover over the course of the two days, and we feel that familiarising yourself with this information in advance will be helpful to you.

**Between Day 1 and Day 2**

1. **Complete two dummy household interviews**

2. **Carry out live practice sessions with two young people (aged 16 or 17).** This will involve conducting the physical measurements and cognitive assessment only.

3. **Administer the young person [CAPI] interview on your tablet with someone else (e.g. a family member).** You will be given instructions about the route we’d like you to take through the script.

4. **Complete the young person self-completion questionnaire (CASI) on your tablet.** You will be given instructions about the route we’d like you to take through the script.

5. **Complete the young person and parent online (CAWI) questionnaires.** You will be given details about how to access these questionnaires. Please note that you will need to use a device of your own that has access to the internet (e.g. a mobile phone, tablet, laptop or computer). You will not be able to complete the online questionnaires on your interviewer tablet.

6. **Complete an exercise using the Electronic Contact Sheet (ECS) on your tablet.** We will provide you with a scenario, and you must use it to enter details into the ECS. This will include recording various types of contact that you might make with a household, and recording tracing efforts.

**Day 2 of the briefing**

1. **Feedback**
   On Day 2 of the briefing you will need to be prepared to give feedback on your practice sessions with the two young people: please think hard about how you found administering each measurement and the assessment and any problems you had. Please also be prepared to talk about how you found engaging the young people in the study.

2. **Accreditation:**
   On Day 2 of the briefing, after your practice sessions, you will be individually tested and accredited on taking the physical measurements. More information about this will be provided at the briefings. Please speak to a member of the briefing team if you are unsure about anything.

**Equipment for physical measures**

Ahead of the briefing you will receive a separate pack containing the physical measurement equipment. It will arrive in one package and will contain:

- Stadiometer / height measures
- Tanita body fat scales

The height measure box will also contain the scales. Please take the scales out of the height measure box immediately. The height measure should remain in the box. Neither the scales bag, nor any other equipment, should be kept or transported in the height measure box. They will put undue strain on the box, which cannot be replaced, and may damage the height measure. Please do bear in mind that the equipment is expensive and should be handled carefully.

**We look forward to meeting you at the briefings**
Live practice – interview instructions

Instructions for practice interviews

Between the first and second days of the briefing we would like you to practice administering the cognitive assessment, and the height, weight and body fat measurements with two young people aged 16 or 17. Please recruit young people of this age so that the practice is a true reflection of what you are likely to encounter in field. It is not acceptable for you to practise on family members or close friends of the family. However, if you have a friend who has a child or grandchild who is this age, you can carry out the practice session with them as long as you don’t know them personally.

Your pack contains the following materials:

- Fieldwork preparation letter
- Practice quote sheet
- Practice advance letter for parent
- Practice advance letter for young person
- Information sheet for parent
- Information sheet for young person
- Further information leaflet for young people
- Measurements postcards x2
- Gift for the young person (keyring – one per young person)
- Pencil and paper for the cognitive assessment
- Physical measurement equipment wipes

In advance of the briefing you will also be sent the equipment that you will need to use for your practice sessions:

- A stadiometer for the height measurement
- Scales for the weight and body fat measurements

At the briefing, you will receive the following materials in your briefing folders to use during the practice sessions:

- Physical measurements summary sheet
- Frankfurt Plane card
- Physical measurement showcard
- Cognitive assessment booklet x1
- Cognitive assessment laminate

Full physical measurement and cognitive assessment instructions will be given at the briefing.

Please ensure that you have recruited these young people before Day 1 of the briefing. If you have any problems with this, please contact your Region Coordinator or Region Manager as soon as possible.
Please record the details of the young people you have recruited on the enclosed ‘Practice Interview Quota Sheet’ (Document reference: PI07) and bring it with you on the first day of the briefing.

In these sessions, you will only practise administering:

- the cognitive assessment
- measuring and weighing the young person
- recording the young person’s measurements in the CAPI

Note that you will not be asking the parent(s) to complete their elements of the survey, and you won’t be asking the young person to complete their CAPI interview or CASI and CAWI questionnaires.

You should give the following materials to the young person when recruiting:

- an advance letter (practice advance letter for young person) (Document reference: PI02)
- information sheet (information sheet for young person) (Document reference: PI06)

Please give the parent/carer the following materials:

- an advance letter (practice advance letter for parent) (Document reference: PI01)
- information sheet (information sheet for parents) (Document reference: PI05)

For these sessions, please leave a gift for each young person you have measured and assessed and a further information leaflet (included in this pack).

Please note that this practice is an essential part of the briefing. We will be discussing your experience and providing feedback on the second day of the briefing.

Kind regards,
Child of the New Century Research Team
Live practice – advance letter for parents

Dear ......................................................

I would like to ask your help with the Child of the New Century (CNC) Age 17 Survey. CNC is an important national study that follows the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001. It is well-known around the world for providing a detailed understanding of what it is like to grow up in the UK today and helps to improve services and support for young people and their families.

We are about to visit the young people again, when they are 17 years old. Before starting the survey, we are recruiting a small number of young people to practise some parts of the survey. This is a vital stage in the preparations, so I do hope that you and your child will agree to help. By helping now your child will not become part of the main study. All the information collected will be completely confidential and used solely to inform the training of the interviewers.

What do I need to do?

Please read the enclosed information sheet – it tells you more about what we would like your child to do.

Who is carrying out the survey?

The survey is being carried out by interviewers from Ipsos MORI and the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations) on behalf of the Centre for Longitudinal Studies at University College London.

If you have any questions about the study, please contact Madalina Radu by email at childrc@ipsos.com or Freephone 0800 202 2102 between 9.30 am and 5.30 pm (Monday to Friday).

I very much hope that you are happy for your child to take part.


Professor Emla Fitzsimons
Study Director

Interviewer Name..............................................................................................................................................

Date of appointment...........................................................................................................................................

Time of appointment...........................................................................................................................................

Contact telephone number....................................................................................................................................
Live practice – advance letter for study members

Dear .............................................

I am writing to ask for your help with Child of the New Century (CNC). CNC is an important research study following the lives of thousands of young people born in the UK in 2000/2001 to understand what it is like for young people growing up in the UK today.

We are about to visit the young people again, when they are 17 years old. Before starting the survey, we are asking a small number of young people to help us practise some parts of the survey. This is to help train the interviewers. You will not become part of the main study.

**What do I need to do?**

There is an information sheet included with this letter for you to read. It tells you more about what we would like you to do. Please read this to help you decide whether you want to take part.

**What’s next?**

An interviewer from Ipsos MORI or the National Centre for Social Research (independent research organisations that carry out surveys with families) will come to your home to practise doing the survey with you. They will ask you to do a number activity and take some measurements.

If you and your family are OK for you to take part, the interviewer who will arrange to come to see you is called:

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They will come to see you on: .......................................................................................

**What if I have questions?**

If you have any questions about the study, please contact Madalina Radu by email on childcare@iposs.com or Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday).

I hope you will help us with this important study.


Professor Emia Fitzsimons
Study Director
Live practice – information sheet for parents

WHAT WOULD WE LIKE YOUR CHILD TO DO?

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

What is Child of the New Century?

Child of the New Century (CNC) is an important study which follows the lives of thousands of children in the UK born between 2000 and 2001. It is well-known around the world for providing a detailed understanding of what it is like growing up in the UK today. Six surveys have been completed so far when the children were 9 months, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 14 years old.

Why Is It So Important?

The study has already shown a lot about how today’s young people grow and develop, about their health, their schooling and what they do. Researchers and scientists have used the information to find out how to give young people the best start in life. Policy makers trust the study to guide them in trying to ensure young people’s future health and happiness.

The study has made a real difference in helping to improve services and support for young people and families relating to infant health, child care, parenting and child poverty across the countries of the UK.

Why are we asking for your help?

Before the next survey starts, we would like your child’s help by allowing our interviewers to practise some parts of the survey with them. This is extremely important and it would be really helpful if your family would agree to be part of this practice session. By taking part in the practice session your child will not be joining the main study.

This information sheet explains more about the activities the interviewer will be carrying out in the practice session, and you can also ask the interviewer for further information.

What would we like your child to do?

Do a number activity (Around 10 minutes)

We would like your child to do a number activity. Some young people find this kind of activity more enjoyable than others, and some might find it challenging. It’s still really important that everyone takes part. Your child will not be given a score, and the results will not be given to anyone else, such as their school or college.

Be measured (Around 10 minutes)

We would like to measure your child’s height, weight and body fat percentage. We would like you to be present while taking the measurements. Your child will be offered a record of their measurements to keep if they would like it. It is up to them if they want to show their measurements to anyone.

What will happen to the information collected in the survey?

All the information collected in the survey from your child will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation. The information provided will be used solely to inform the training of our interviewers.

How can I find out more?

If you have any other questions about the survey, you can contact Madalina Radu at childnc@ipsos.com, or on Freephone 0800 202 202. If you want to know more about CNC, you can visit the website: www.childnc.net phone using Freephone 0800 092 1250 or email childnc@ucl.ac.uk

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP
Live practice – information sheet for study members

How can I help with Child of the New Century?

Information for young people

What is Child of the New Century?
Child of the New Century (CNC) is a study well-known around the world for providing a detailed understanding of what it is like to grow up in the UK today. Researchers use the information to learn how people's experiences and circumstances in early life can affect their lives later on. The research helps government, healthcare workers, teachers and others to develop services and policies that help improve people's health, education, development and wellbeing, both now and for future generations.

What has the study found so far?
The study has learnt lots about different areas of young people's lives. For example:
- Childhood wellbeing is not related to the amount of money a family has
- Moving homes, often considered a major life event, doesn't affect children's development
- Neighbourhood, friendships and getting on well with siblings are more important than growing up in a two parent home for children's happiness.

Why are we asking for your help?
Before the survey starts, we are asking a small number of young people to help us practise some parts of it. This is to help the interviewers with their training. By taking part in the practice session you will not be joining the main study.

What would we like you to do?
Your interviewer will explain everything to you clearly so it is easy for you to understand what we would like you to do. You don't need to do anything beforehand. The interviewer will ask you to:

1. **Do a number activity (Around 10 minutes)**
   We would like to ask you to do a number activity. The interviewer will show you what to do when they visit and answer any questions you have. Some of you may find this kind of activity more enjoyable than others, and some of you might find it challenging. It's still really important that everyone takes part. You will not be given a score, and the results will not be given to anyone else, such as your school or college.

2. **Get measured (Around 10 minutes)**
   We would like to measure your height, weight, and body fat percentage. You can ask for a record of your measurements, but the interviewer won't tell you them if you prefer not to know. The interviewer won't read your measurements out loud, or share them with anyone else.

Do I have to take part?
You don't have to help us by doing these things if you don't want to. The interviewer will ask you if you have any questions. They will also make sure you understand what we would like you to do before you start. You can stop at any time.

What will happen to the information collected?
This information will only be used to help the interviewers practise doing the survey. The interviewer won't share your answers or measurements with anyone, and you don't have to share your answers or measurements with anyone, including your parent(s).

What if I want to know more?
If you have any other questions about the survey, you can contact Madalina Radu at childnc@ipos.com, or on Freephone 0808 202 2102.

If you want to know more about CNC, you can look at the website: www.childnc.net, phone using Freephone 0800 092 1250 or email childnc@ucl.ac.uk.

Thank you for helping us
I’ve helped — what now?

What will happen to the information about me?

The interviewer will send your answers and measurements back to the CNC team. This information will only be used to help the interviewers practise doing the survey. The team will delete the information once they receive it.

What if I want to talk to someone about the things in the survey?

We hope you enjoyed taking part. If you are worried or have questions about anything in the survey, or anything else in your life, talking to someone about it can help. If you feel able to, the first person to talk to is a parent, other family member or someone else you trust.

Below are some numbers you can call if you feel like there isn’t anyone you can talk to.

**The Mix (0808 808 4994):** Free, confidential advice and support for young people on a wide range of issues including relationships, health, money, crime, safety, work and study. You can call them, or get advice via webchat at [www.themix.org.uk](http://www.themix.org.uk).

**Talk to FRANK (0300 123 6600):** Free confidential advice on drugs and alcohol. You can text them on 82111, phone FRANK for free, or get advice via webchat at [www.talktofrank.com](http://www.talktofrank.com).

**ChildLine (0800 1111):** A 24-hour helpline for young people aged up to 19. It is confidential and calls are free. You can also get advice by email or through a 1-to-1 chat at [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk).

Contact details

If you have any questions about the survey you can contact the team at [childnc@ipsos.com](mailto:childnc@ipsos.com) or on Freephone 0808 202 2102 between 9:30am and 5:30pm (Monday to Friday).

If you want to know more about the Child of the New Century study, you can visit the website at [www.childnc.net](http://www.childnc.net), email [childnc@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:childnc@ucl.ac.uk) or phone 0800 092 1250.

Thank you for your help
Live practice – quota sheet

Practice interview quota sheet

*Please remember to bring the completed form to the first day of the briefing.*

**Interviewer name and number:** ____________________________

**First interview**

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Thank you letter - parent

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Dear << P1_First_Name >> <<and P2_First_name >>

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your family for giving up your time to take part in the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey. We hope you found it interesting.

Your participation in the study is of great value in helping to understand how today’s young people grow and develop, and for making young people’s lives better in the future.

Thank you to everyone who has completed the online questionnaire. If you haven’t had a chance to do it yet, there is still time. If you no longer have your login details, please contact us using Freephone 0800 020 2102 or email childnc@ipsos.com. The online questionnaire is an important part of the Age 17 Survey, and we really appreciate your help.

We don’t know exactly when the next survey will be, but we hope to visit the Children of the New Century in the next few years. As your child gets older we will build up a detailed picture of how their generation develops from a very young age, through their childhood, and throughout adulthood too. We very much hope your child will continue to take part in this important study, but they can, of course, decide at the time.

If you have any questions about Child of the New Century, please call us on Freephone 0800 092 1250 or email childnc@ucl.ac.uk You can also visit the study website: www.childnc.net

Thank you again.

With kind regards,

[Signature]

Professor Emia Fitzsimons
Study Director
Thank you letter – study member

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Dear <<YP_First_name>>,

Thank you for giving up your time to help with the Child of the New Century Age 17 Survey. We hope you enjoyed taking part.

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With kind regards,

Professor Emila Fitzsimons
Study Director
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Showcards England

CHILD OF THE
NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

RESPONDENT
SHOWCARDS
(MAIN STAGE)

ENGLAND
CARD A1

**Spouse/partner**
1. Husband/wife
2. Partner/cohabitee

**Son/daughter**
3. Natural son/daughter
4. Adopted son/daughter
5. Foster son/daughter
6. Step-son/daughter/child of (current/previous) partner

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15. Foster brother/sister

**Grandchild/grandparent**
16. Grandchild
17. Grandparent

**Other**
18. Nanny/au pair
19. Other relative
20. Other non-relative
CARD B1

1. To start a job or training
2. To go to college or university
3. To get married
4. To live with boyfriend/girlfriend
5. To share with friends
6. Parents’ home was overcrowded
7. I wanted to live on my own
8. I fell out with my parents
9. I had a child/became pregnant
10. I was forced to leave
11. I fell out with other household members (not my parents)
12. Some other reason (PLEASE SPECIFY)
## CARD B2

1. Local authority children's home
2. Local authority foster parents
3. Voluntary society children's home
4. Voluntary society foster parents
5. Living with relatives
6. Prison/ Young Offenders Institute/ Borstal
7. Some other place (PLEASE SPECIFY)
8. Children's home - not sure which type
9. Foster parents - not sure which type
10. No, none of these places
CARD B3

1 Under three months
2 Three months, less than 1 year
3 1 year, less than 2
4 2 years, less than 5
5 5 years or more
CARD C1

1. Had enough qualifications
2. Found school or college difficult
3. Wanted to do an apprenticeship/ learn a trade
4. Did not like/ enjoy school or college/ found school or college boring
5. Wanted to get a job/ start working/ earning money
6. Wanted to work part time and study part time
7. Withdrew myself from school or college
8. Was not accepted into school or college
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CARD C2

1. There aren’t any jobs available that I am qualified for
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CARD C4

1. Private firm/ company/ PLC
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3. Central government or civil service
4. Local government or council (including police, fire services and local authority controlled schools/ colleges)
5. University or other grant funded education establishment (include 'opted-out' schools)
6. Health authority, NHS Trust or Local Health Boards
7. Charity, voluntary organisation or trust
8. Armed forces
9. Some other kind of organisation
CARD C5

1 Holiday job

2 Working for an employment agency

3 Casual type of work

4 Seasonal work

5 Done under contract for a fixed period or for a fixed task

6 An internship

7 Some other way that is not permanent (PLEASE SPECIFY)

8 None of them apply
CARD D1

1 International Baccalaureate/ IB Diploma
2 Welsh Baccalaureate (Skills Challenge Certificate/ Diploma) (WBQ)
3 Scottish Baccalaureate
4 None of them
CARD D2

1  GCSE
2  iGCSE
3  Higher Grade (Scotland)
4  National Four (Scotland)
5  National Five (Scotland)
6  Intermediate Grade (Scotland)
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CARD D7

1  A lot
2  A little
3  Not a lot
4  Not at all
CARD E1

1  Vision (for example blindness or partial sight)
2  Hearing (for example deafness or partial hearing)
3  Mobility (for example walking short distances or climbing stairs)
4  Dexterity (for example lifting and carrying objects, using a keyboard)
5  Learning or understanding or concentrating
6  Memory
7  Mental health
8  Stamina or breathing or fatigue
9  Socially or behaviourally (for example associated with autism, attention deficit disorder or Asperger’s Syndrome)
10 Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
CARD E2

1  Every day
2  5-6 days
3  3-4 days
4  1-2 days
5  Not at all
CARD PHYS1

1. I have a pacemaker or other internal electrical device fitted

2. I am pregnant
Showcards Northern Ireland

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

RESPONDENT SHOWCARDS (MAIN STAGE)

NORTHERN IRELAND
CARD A1

**Spouse/ partner**

1. Husband/ wife

2. Partner/ cohabitee

**Son/ daughter**

3. Natural son/ daughter

4. Adopted son/ daughter

5. Foster son/ daughter

6. Step-son/ daughter/ child of (current/ previous) partner

**Parent**

7. Natural parent

8. Adoptive parent

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1  Statutory children's home
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Showcards Scotland

CHILD OF THE NEW CENTURY

AGE 17 SURVEY

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