San Diego San Diego Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) Regional Consortium
CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE AS A RESEARCH SUBJECT
ADOLESCENT (ages 13-17) STUDENT FORM

Sandra Daley, M.D., director of the San Diego Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) Regional Consortium is conducting a research study to find out in what ways career-focused course work and training can increase students' interest in pursuing health and science careers, as well as their ability to do so. You have been asked to take part in this study because you are participating in an enrichment program affiliated with HCOP. There will be approximately 165 students participating in this research study each year.

If you agree to be in this study, the following will occur: You will be asked to complete a questionnaire at the beginning of your participation, and at the end of the training session. You may be asked to fill out follow-up questionnaires every year or two for the next ten years. Responses will inform us of which course of study or careers you have chosen. We will specifically want to know how you are continuing with your education and in what field(s), what career plans you have, and what role, if any, this training program may have played in helping you to achieve your goals. Through participation in this program, the coordinators hope to learn whether this training will benefit future students.

All information collected will be kept completely confidential. Only staff members associated with the analysis and data management will have access to names, but information gathered from students will be summarized without names. Students will NOT be identified individually in any reports or publications. All research records will be kept confidential to the extent provided by the law.

Participation in this study includes a minimal risk for potential loss of confidentiality. A possible benefit from participating in the study is sharing your personal academic and career progress. You will not receive payment for participation.

One of your program's instructors or program staff member,______________________, has explained this study to you and has answered your questions. If you have other questions on research-related issues, you may refer them to: José Cruz at (619) 243-1360. You may call the Human Research Protections Program Office at UCSD (858) 455-5050 to inquire about your rights as a research subject or to report research-related problems you encounter.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. You may refuse to participate or withdraw at any time without jeopardy to your class standing, grades or career work. There is no alternative for participation if you choose not to participate. You will not be withdrawn from the study without your consent. If you decide that you no longer wish to continue in the study, you may notify the study by contacting José Cruz at the number listed above. You signature below signifies that you have read this form and have been given an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

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Student Name

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Student's Signature              Date