Appendix E

SUBJECT CONSENT FORM FOR

PARTICIPATION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN RESEARCH

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

Evaluation of a Youth Coaching Course’s Effectiveness, Coaches’ Consent in Course

You are invited to participate in a research study conducted by Mr. Colin Barnes and Dr. Matthew Curtner-Smith, professor in the College of Education at The University of Alabama. The purpose of this study is to determine the effectiveness of a youth soccer coaching education program, which you are immersed in. You were selected as a possible participant in this study because you are a practicing coach in youth soccer.

If you agree to participate, you will be asked to:

1. Be video recorded during six training sessions and six matches.
2. Be formally interviewed for approximately 45 minutes on two separate occasions. The first one will occur prior to the coaching education course and the second time will be after the course. The interviews will be audio recorded and transcribed verbatim.
3. Be observed during the coaching education course.
4. Turn in completed session plans or notes at the beginning of each training session and game.

To protect the confidentiality of the participants, pseudonyms will be used in the field notes, interviews and in the final paper. All field notes will be kept in a marble journal. Video recordings and audio recordings will be kept on file in a locked desk in a locked office. Once the interviews are transcribed the audio recordings will be erased. The transcribed interviews/field notes/video and audio recordings will be kept on file in the same locked desk until the paper has been published. Once the paper is published, the transcriptions, the field notes, video and the audio recordings will be destroyed.

The information provided will be confidential. Only the Investigative Team will know your identity. In the event that the information collected is published in a professional journal, your privacy will be protected by referring to you only by pseudonym. On completion of the study the results will be made available and explained to you.

The nature of the data collection ensures that there is no physical or psychological risk of any kind to you. The data collection techniques may improve your teaching by having you analyze your lesson preparation and performance. In addition, the data may facilitate the enhancement of coaching education throughout the country and development of youth soccer players. I cannot, however, guarantee that you personally will receive any benefits from this research.

Your participation is voluntary. Your decision whether or not to participate will not affect your relationship with The University of Alabama. Additionally, the decision to participate will not in any way affect your standing at UA. If you decide to participate, you are free to withdraw your consent and discontinue participation at any time without penalty. If you have any questions, concerns or complaints about the study later on, please contact the investigator, Colin Barnes at 205-641-3070 or csbarnes3@crimson.ua.edu or Matthew Curtner-Smith at mdsmith@ua.edu.

Finally, if you have questions about your rights as a person in a research study, call Ms. Tanta Myles, the Research Compliance Officer of the University, at 205-348-8461 or toll-free at 1-877-820-3066.

You may also ask questions, make suggestions, or file complaints and concerns through the IRB Outreach website at <http://ovpred.ua.edu/researchcompliance/prco/> or email us at participantoutreach@ua.edu.

AUTHORIZATION: I have read the above and understand the nature of this study and agree to participate. I understand that by agreeing to participate in this study I have not waived any legal or human rights. I also understand that I have the right to refuse to participate and that my right to withdraw from participation at any time during the study will be respected with no coercion or prejudice. Finally, I understand that I will receive a copy of this form.

Video Recorded and Audio Recording Consent

As mentioned above, the individual qualitative interview will be audio recorded for research purposes to Colin Barnes and Matthew Curtner-Smith. Each training session and game will also be video recorded. These recordings will be stored in a locked file cabinet in a locked room and only available to the primary investigator. We will keep these recordings for no more than two years and will destroy them after they have been transcribed.

**I understand that part of my participation in this research study will be audio and video recorded. I give my permission to the research team to record the interview, practices and games.**

* **Yes,** my participation in this study can be video and audio recorded.
* **No,** I do not want my participation in this study to be video or audio recorded.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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