

AGREEMENT AMONG MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY CONSORTIUM

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I. MEMBERS OF THE CONSORTIUM

- A. The organizers and Principal Investigators (PI's) of the Consortium are Murray A. Straus and Angèle Fauchier, of the University of New Hampshire, USA.
- B. The consortium members who will gather the data at each site will be referred to as Consortium Members.
- C. The International Parenting Study Consortium as a whole will be referred to in this document as The Consortium.
- D. If there is more than one Consortium Member for a site, those members and the PI's will designate one of the Consortium Members as the "Coordinating Member" for communications specific to the site. General communications will be sent by email to all Consortium Members.

II. PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS

- A. The Consortium Member agrees to follow the procedures to provide for informed consent, privacy, and safety of the participants, as given in the document PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY.

III. RIGHTS TO THE DATA

- A. Each Consortium Member has the exclusive right to use the data from his/her site for purposes of reporting results for his/her site, and the exclusive right to grant permission to others to use the data from his/her site, except that the PI's and their designated colleagues will have the right to use the data for the purpose of cross-site analyses.
- B. Each consortium member will have exclusive right to the use of the questions that he/she has added to the questionnaire for his/her site.
- C. If a Consortium Member wishes to use the data from other sites, he/she must submit a Proposal to the PI's before the PI's can provide them with data from other sites. He/she must also obtain permission from each Consortium Member who gathered the data. The PI's will evaluate each proposal to ensure that projects by Consortium Members do not overlap. The PI's will also offer non-binding comments and suggestions on each project. When Proposals are

approved, the PI's will provide the Consortium Member with a computer data file including the appropriate variables and cases.

- D. Use of the data by graduate students or colleagues for papers, course projects, theses, and dissertations:
 - 1. The Consortium Member has the sole right to permit students and other persons to use the data from his/her site for analyses of the data for that site.
 - 2. Data from another site can only be used under the conditions specified in C above.
- E. Authorship of comparative papers: A group of Consortium Members may develop a plan for a set of papers that includes an explicit agreement for who will be the authors and the order of authorship for each paper. The group of Consortium Members must submit a Proposal to the PI's, as described in B above.

IV. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE PI's

- A. Information and consulting appropriate for each stage of the research from obtaining data through data analysis and reporting the results in journal articles.
- B. The PI's will provide GUIDELINES FOR TRANSLATION AND MODIFICATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY. The PI's will offer guidance on translation and modifications as needed.
- C. An example of an Institutional Review Board application to use as a guideline for each Consortium Member's application to their own review board.
- D. To facilitate creating the machine-scored questionnaires which must be used to obtain the data, the PI's will:
 - 1. Provide an electronic copy of the template to create a machine-scored questionnaire for each site.
 - 2. Scan the completed questionnaires and provide a computer file with the questionnaire responses in SPSS format.
 - 3. Compute scale scores for all Dimensions of Discipline Inventory (DDI), Conflict Tactics Scales (CTS), and Personal and Relationship Profile (PRP) scales, and include these scores in the computer file.
 - 4. Provide a codebook for the computer file.
- E. As an alternative to the use of machine-scored questionnaires, it may be possible for some Consortium Members to administer a web-based version of the questionnaire. Ability to use the web-based version will depend on the computer program's support for the translated language, and on approval by the site's review board and appropriateness for the site. For Consortium Members who use the web-based version, the PI's will provide:
 - 1. Computer program and website
 - 2. Template for the Consortium Member to create a web-based questionnaire for his/her own data collection

V. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CONSORTIUM MEMBERS

- A. Translate and back-translate all items in the International Parenting Study questionnaire. Any modifications of items must be done in collaboration with the

PI's, per the GUIDELINES FOR TRANSLATION AND MODIFICATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY.

- B. Obtain Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval from his/her institution. If no IRB or similar system exists at the institution, a university administrator who can accept responsibility must review and approve the project.
- C. Create a site-specific questionnaire form using the machine-scoring template provided by the PI's.
- D. Print and make copies of the site-specific questionnaire for administration at their site.
- E. Administer the International Parenting Study questionnaire to a minimum of 200 students at their site.
- F. Complete the INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY DATA COLLECTION RECORD.
- G. Send the completed questionnaires, INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY DATA COLLECTION RECORD, translation, and back-translation to the PI's.

VI. USE OF INTERNATIONAL PARENTING STUDY MEASURES FOR OTHER RESEARCH

- A. Dimensions of Discipline Inventory (DDI): The PI's welcome Consortium Members to use the DDI for other research purposes. If a Consortium Member would like to use the DDI outside of his/her research in The Consortium, the Consortium Member will complete the DDI Use Agreement form.
- B. Personal and Relationships Profile (PRP): Straus welcomes Consortium Members to use the PRP for other research purposes. If a Consortium Member would like to use the PRP outside of his/her research in The Consortium, the Consortium Member will complete the Request for Permission to Use the PRP form.
- C. Conflict Tactics Scales (CTS): If a Consortium Member would like to use any version of the CTS, including CTS, CTSPC, CTS-2, or any of the short forms, he/she must obtain permission from the publisher, Western Psychological Services. The email address is custsvc@wpspublish.com
- D. Other measures: If a Consortium Member would like to use any other measures from the International Parenting Study questionnaire, if they are copyrighted instruments, he/she must obtain permission from the scale authors and/or publisher.

VII. RESOLUTION OF DISAGREEMENTS

- A. If there is a disagreement between members of the consortium that the parties cannot resolve, the first recourse will be to arrange for a mutually agreed third party to try to mediate the dispute. If the mediation does not result in an agreement, the parties must submit the dispute to binding arbitration by a mutually agreed third part. The third party mediator or arbitrator may be any member of the consortium except the PI's, or some other person that the parties agree on. The parties to the dispute will share the costs of the mediation or arbitration.

If you have read the above and would like to be a member of the International Parenting Study Consortium as specified above, please print and sign a copy of this page. The signed page can be sent by email or as an attachment. It will be signed by one of the PI's and the signed copy will be sent to you.

I agree to the provisions described above.

Consortium Member signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (printed): _____

Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Principal Investigator* signature: _____ Date: _____

*The Principal Investigators of the International Parenting Study are Murray A. Straus and Angèle Fauchier. The signature of one PI is sufficient to make this a binding agreement.