



Be prepared for Being Outdoors: Can new technology improve sun protection behaviours?

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RESEARCH TEAM.

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DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this research project is to design engaging health messages using an app on a smartphone. The app will broadcast real-time-weather data and personalised messages with the aim to decrease risk of sunburn.

We are looking for people in Queensland who are 18 years of age or older who are regularly outside to participate in this project. Individuals who have been previously diagnosed with melanoma, an organ transplant recipient, or taking medications that induce skin photosensitivity (your skin is sensitive to the sun) are not eligible for this study.

PARTICIPATION

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

- Complete an initial survey and download the SunVisor App. You will be asked to use the SunVisor app for two weeks whilst outdoors. You will require access to a Smartphone, tablet or Smartwatch with internet connectivity.
- Complete an online survey 10-15 minutes long after using the app for two weeks.

Questions will include:

"Did you find the app helpful?" "Would you recommend the app to others?"

Your participation in this research project is entirely voluntary. If you agree to participate you do not have to complete any question(s) you are uncomfortable answering. Your decision to participate or not participate will in no way impact upon your current or future relationship with QUT. If you do agree to participate you can withdraw from the research project during your participation without comment or penalty.

EXPECTED BENEFITS

It is expected that this research project will not directly benefit you. However, the results of this research may benefit future skin cancer prevention programs.

To recognise your contribution should you choose to participate the research team is offering you the chance to enter a prize draw. Participants who complete the study survey may enter a prize draw to win one of 6 x \$100 Coles/Myer gift cards. Please note the opening date for both entries is 1 April 2018, the closing date for entries is 31 May 2018. The Terms and Conditions of the prize draw are attached.

RISKS

There are no risks beyond normal day-to-day living associated with your participation in this research project.

PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

All comments and responses will be treated confidentially unless required by law. Only senior members of the research team will have access to any data collected during the study period.

Any data collected as part of this research project will be stored securely as per QUT's Management of research data policy.

Please note that non-identifiable data from this research project may be used as comparative data in future projects or stored on an open access database for secondary analysis.

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE

We would like to ask you to tick the consent box to confirm your agreement to participate.

QUESTIONS / FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESEARCH PROJECT

If you have any questions or require further information please contact the researcher listed below.

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CONCERNS / COMPLAINTS REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT

QUT is committed to research integrity and the ethical conduct of research projects. However, if you do have any concerns or complaints about the ethical conduct of the research project you may contact the QUT Research Ethics Advisory Team on 07 3138 5123 or email humanethics@qut.edu.au. The QUT Research Ethics Advisory Team is not connected with the research project and can facilitate a resolution to your concern in an impartial manner.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING WITH THIS RESEARCH PROJECT.