

# Project SPIRiT

## Who We Are, What We Do, and How We Keep Your Information Safe

### Who are we?

- Project SPIRiT is run by Dr. Kirsty Clark, a researcher from Vanderbilt University who studies LGBTQ+ people's mental health.
- To learn more about Dr. Clark and the lab and see if you are eligible to participate, scan the QR code!



### What do we do?

- We are a research team at Vanderbilt University. We study LGBTQ+ youth and young adult mental health.
- We are currently conducting a smartphone-based research study with LGBTQ+ teens and young adults about mental health and suicide.
- Our goal is to develop interventions to support LGBTQ+ young people, especially those living in the US South!

### How do we keep you and your information safe?

- Our team is dedicated to keeping your information safe, and we take many steps to ensure that you are protected.
- We keep your contact information (name, email) and study data (survey responses) separate so your name is never linked to your data.
- We store our data on an approved, secure, password-protected online database that only our trained research team has access to.
- The survey platforms we use, MetricWire and RedCAP, are both safe and secure.
- They are used widely by researchers to protect participants' data.
- We will not share any of the information you give us with anyone outside of our trained research team.
- Our study procedures have been reviewed and approved by the Vanderbilt University Human Subjects Protection Review Committee.
- Because our study is funded by the National Institutes of Health, we have a Certificate of Confidentiality (CoC). A CoC protects your privacy by limiting the disclosure of any of your private information without your consent.

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