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Name of Study: A Qualitative Dissertation Investigating Factors Contributing to the Success of Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders Living Independently

Location: San Diego, California

Institution: California School of Professional Psychology at Alliant International University

Eligibility Criteria: This is a study for adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders and a family member, close relative or friend who has known the subject with ASD since childhood. All participants are adults 18 years of age or older. The diagnosis of ASD was given by a qualified professional such as a psychologist, psychiatrist, or pediatrician familiar with autism spectrum disorders and was diagnosed using standardized measures (including DSM-IV-TR, ICD-10, etc). The individual with ASD is currently living independently or with little to no daily assistance for self-care from the any caregiver(s), parents, relatives, or close friend, or by any other means. Furthermore, the individual with ASD is maintaining employment or is continuing education beyond high school.

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to inform you of an opportunity to participate in a research study for adults with autism spectrum disorders. This study is aimed at understanding the factors which have contributed to the success of adults with ASD who are currently living independently. The research being conducted is part of a doctoral dissertation in clinical psychology. This doctoral dissertation will include an interview conducted by an advanced doctoral candidate in clinical psychology which will take approximately 1-1.5 hours. A licensed psychologist is supervising this study. Your participation may help identify factors which can contribute to an independent lifestyle for others on the Autistic Spectrum. **If you are eligible and agree to participate, you will receive a \$15 gift card to Target or Amazon.com.**

There is no charge to participate in the study. If you are interested in participating, please contact Jordan Weisman at the phone number or email address below. Thank you very much for your interest in this research.

Sincerely,

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