**Consent form for participation in research study**

**Study title:***Therapists’ experiences of the decision to broach unnamed autism in psychotherapy.*

Thank you for taking part in this study. The below outlines the considerations requiring informed consent.

* I confirm that I have read and understand the Participant Information Leaflet and am interested in being a participant in the above study, which has received ethical approval from the University of Warwick.
* I have had the opportunity to ask questions and had them answered to a satisfactory standard.
* I understand that all information will remain confidential, anonymised and that all efforts will be made to ensure that I, nor anyone discussed, cannot be identified (except as might be required by law).
* I understand that my data will be stored in line with the GDPR (2018) legislation, in a secure, encrypted way via the University of Warwick’s data storage system. Data will be held for 2 years after approval of the research project at the exam board and then destroyed in line with University Data Retention Policy.
* I agree that data gathered in this study may be stored anonymously and securely and will be destroyed either at my request (up to and including 31st March 2025), or in line with the university policy following completion.
* I understand that the research results may be published in a peer-review journal at the discretion of the researcher.
* I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time up to the 31st March 2025 without giving a reason.
* I agree to take part in this study.

Participant name (please print):…………………………………………………………….

Participant signature:…………………………………………………………………………

Date: (DD/MM/YYYY)