

What information is important when considering early anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) reconstruction in children?

For recruitment via email

Consent section

1. Please make sure you have read the Health Professional Participant information statement before starting the survey.
2. HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPANT CONSENT FORM

PARTICIPANT CONSENT FORM

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In giving my consent, I confirm that that:

Tick/initial boxes

- The details of my involvement have been explained to me, and I have been provided with a written Participant Information Statement to keep.
 - I understand the purpose of the study is to investigate what information is important for children under 18 years old before deciding to have early ACL reconstruction surgery or rehabilitation with the option for delayed ACL reconstruction.
 - I acknowledge that the risks and benefits of participating in this study have been explained to me to my satisfaction.
 - I understand that in this study I will be required to answer a pre-interview questionnaire (5-minutes) and attend an interview to provide feedback on an educational pamphlet on treatment options following ACL rupture (online, via telephone or in person pending on the COVID-19 situation) that will last 30-minutes.
 - I understand that my participation will involve my interview to be recorded.
 - I understand that information may be used in future research and the data collected for this study may use it in future projects. By providing consent I allow my information to be shared locally and internationally with other research collaborators as needed. I understand that it is unknown at this stage what these other projects will involve, and ethical approval will be gained before my information is used in these future projects.
 - I understand that being in this study is completely voluntary.
 - I am assured that my decision to participate will not have an impact on any relationship with the research team or the University of Sydney or the Local Health District.
 - I understand that I am free to withdraw from this study at any time and that I can choose to withdraw any information I have already provided (unless the data has already been de-identified or published).
 - I have been informed that the confidentiality of the information I provide will be protected and will only be used for purposes that I have agreed to. I understand that information about me will only be told to others with my permission, except as required by law.
 - I understand that the results of this study may be published, and that publications will not contain my name or any identifiable information about me.
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- Yes, I would be happy to participate in this study
 - No, I would prefer not to participate in this study

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3. I would like to be emailed a copy of the study results:

- Yes
- No

If YES, my email address is _____

4. I consent to the future use of any data I provide for research purposes. I understand that before the investigators or their collaborators use any data that I provide, they must seek additional ethics approval.

- Yes
- No

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Pre-interview Questionnaire

Study ID: _____

Thank you for your participation in this study, which is investigating what information is important when considering early anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) reconstruction in children.

We would like you to answer a few questions before the interview. This should not take more than 5-minutes.

First some quick questions about you...

1. Please indicate your gender:

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary

2. Please indicate your age: [free text response]

3. In which country did you receive your health professional training/qualification? [free text response]

4. What type of health professional are you?

- Orthopaedic surgeon
- General practitioner
- Sports medicine doctor
- Physiotherapist
- Other (please specify) _____

5. How many years have you been practicing? [free text response]

6. Which clinical setting have you spent the most time practicing in?

- Private practice
- Public hospital
- Private hospital
- Sports teams
- Other (please specify) _____

7. On average, how many patients with an ACL rupture do you manage/review per year? [free text response]

8. On average, what percentage of these patients do you advise to have ACL reconstruction surgery when they first visit you? [free text response]

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Finally, when are the best times to schedule you for an online Zoom interview...

Please provide below your best contact details for a researcher from the University of Sydney to contact you and arrange the follow-up interview:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Best contact telephone number: _____

Best time/s to call: _____

Please mark the times that are suitable to arrange an interview in the boxes below:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 – 10am					
10 – 12pm					
12 – 2pm					
2 – 4pm					
4 – 6pm					

Thank you for completing the questionnaire.