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Dear Colleague

Invitation to participate in research study – staff interview

Please find enclosed a 'Staff information sheet' relating to a study in the NHS that is seeking to improve patient and carer experiences. Your department has been selected to take part in the study. The study has been approved by your managers, by the Research & Development department in your organisation, and by an NHS Research Ethics Committee.

As part of this study we would like to interview you and ask about your views on patient and carer experience in your department. The information sheet provides further details and makes clear that your involvement in this study is entirely voluntary and your responses will be entirely confidential.

Please also find enclosed an interview 'schedule' which we will be using in the interviews. Not all of the questions will necessarily be relevant to you and the interviews will be quite conversational in nature but the schedule provides a guide to the general areas we will hopefully cover should you agree to be interviewed.

[Name of researcher], a member of the research team, will contact you in the next few days to answer any questions you may have and find out if you would be happy to participate.

Regards

Dr Louise Locock  
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(on behalf of the research team)