

## **Invitation to Participate in Consultation about Language, Terminology and Representation in Ireland's "Mother and baby Homes", "County Homes" and Related Institutions**

Please see attached a poster inviting expressions of interest to participate in a Consultation about Language, Terminology and Representation in Ireland's "Mother and baby Homes", "County Homes" and Related Institutions

The aim of this project is to examine and highlight the stigmatising and labelling language that has been used in the past and to suggest a set of alternative terms for future use. In addition to learning from the literature and practice in other international contexts, we wish to hear directly from survivors and/or persons directly affected by the institutions discussed in the final report from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby Homes, published in January 2021.

If you wish to have your view heard and to participate in the consultations, please contact us at [languageterminologyandrepresentation@nuigalway.ie](mailto:languageterminologyandrepresentation@nuigalway.ie) to hear more information about the project and, if interested to consult, to arrange a time to suit you. A participant information sheet will be sent to you. You can also send us your contact phone number if you wish to speak to a research team member for more detail before you make a decision about participating in the project. The consultations will run until the end of Feb 2022.

This project sponsored by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth through the Irish Research Council. It is action 13 in the Action Plan announced by Government in response to the recommendations made by the Commission of Investigation, and its outcomes will be monitored in the reporting arrangements for the Plan, and feed into the implementation of other actions.

Thank you in advance for considering this

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