SEEKING RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS – VETERANS FROM MIGRANT OR MULTICULTURAL BACKGROUNDS AND FAMILIES

Research Title: Exploring service needs, experiences, and enablers and barriers to accessing services for Australian Defence Force veterans from migrant or multicultural backgrounds.

Researchers at the *Social Policy Research Centre*, *UNSW*, are conducting a study on behalf of the Department of Veterans' Affairs to understand the support access needs of veterans. We want to hear from veterans whose cultural heritage or family background may have shaped how they have experienced life after service.

Eligibility criteria

The project is looking for participants who meet the following criteria:

- Are 18 years or above
- Live in Australia
- A veteran from a migrant (first or second generation) or multicultural background who has transitioned out of the full-time Australian Defence Force.

For family members, we are looking for:

- 18 years or above
- Live in Australia
- A family member of a veteran from a migrant or multicultural background or CALD family member of a veteran.

People are not eligible to participate if they:

- Under 18 years of age.
- Currently serving in the full-time Australian Defence Force.
- The veteran is not from a migrant or multicultural background.
- You are not living in Australia.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander veterans.

What will participation involve?

- You will be asked to participate in a 45 minute interview online via Microsoft Teams, or by telephone if you prefer, at a time convenient to you.
- Participation is voluntary.
- You will be compensated for your time with a \$50 voucher (either a digital redeemable voucher or a physical voucher).

Contacts/further information

If you are interested in participating in the research or would like to receive further information via the participant information sheet, please contact:

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Ethics approval

The <u>Departments of Defence and Veterans' Affairs Human Research Ethics Committee</u> has granted ethical approval for this study (project number: 627-25).