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APPENDIX B: PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

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Dear Madam/Sir

Good day. My name is Jodi Miller and I am an Educational Psychology Master's student studying at the University of the Witwatersrand. I am required to conduct research as part of the requirements for the completion of my degree.

I would like to invite you to take part in my study which focusses on past educational psychology interns' perceptions and experiences of training within the framework of a systemic reflecting team model and how these experiences have influenced thoughts and processes with regard to providing therapy currently. In addition, the research will explore what impact training in a reflecting team has had on educational psychology interns' practice once they have completed their internship year. This research could inform the future training of educational psychologists.

Should you agree to participate in this study, I will require approximately 75 minutes of your time to partake in a one-on-one, face-to-face semi-structured interview. It is possible that this interview can take place over the telephone, should a face-to-face interview not be possible.

Participation in this study is entirely voluntary and no one will be disadvantaged or advantaged for choosing to participate or choosing not to participate in this study. Due to the nature of this study, there are no inherent risks or dangers to you, the other practitioners or the organization. There are also no inherent benefits. Participants may choose to withdraw from the study at any time or choose not to answer specific questions without negative consequences. Anonymity will be ensured in the recording of the data. If direct quotes are used from the responses, no identifying information will accompany that quote. Any identifying information will be safeguarded and locked in a filing cabinet or in a password protected computer. The records will be securely stored for 6 years and participants may request access to the data in the form of a summary of the results. Anonymity will be respected in handling of all data related to the participants. Confidentiality will be ensured in

that myself (the researcher) and my supervisor only will have access to data collected and will be the only people involved in processing the results. The research results will be reported in the form of a research report. A copy will be given to the organization and will be made available on the university web. The study may also be published in the form of a journal article.

General feedback from the results of the study will be presented in a summary and will be sent to the organization once the research is completed. Participants may request a summary of these results.

Should you agree to take part in the study please inform me via email.

Yours sincerely,

Jodi Miller

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