WHO WILL KNOW ABOUT MY PARTICIPATION?

All information is confidential.

- No information from your participation gets put in any health care records.
- No personal information will be linked to responses provided in interviews or surveys.
- We will not share your information with us anyone else without your permission.
- We are interested in your joint and private experience with your partner. Your private information will not be shared with your partner.

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE IF:

- You are currently involved in romantic relationship.
- You and/or your partner are receiving mental health treatment services.
- The partner receiving mental health treatment is between the ages of 18 and 40.
- You and your partner can attend at least two appointments together in the Oakland area of Pittsburgh.

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- What does it mean to be in a romantic relationship while managing your emotional health?
- How does your mental health affect your romantic relationship and friendships?
- How do you and your partner interact day-to-day?
WHAT DOES MY PARTICIPATION INVOLVE?

We want to get to know you and your partner as individuals and as a couple.

Participation in this study involves each of you coming to our Oakland office. We will ask you questions, record your interactions, and monitor your day-to-day experiences using smartphones for three weeks.

This study is designed to help us understand:
- How you think and behave,
- What your relationships are like, and
- How you and your partner communicate.

MY PARTNER RECEIVES MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND WANTS ME TO PARTICIPATE, WHY SHOUL I?

We want to hear your story.

In the Couples Study, we're interested in hearing your story and your experiences too, regardless of if you are receiving (or have ever received) mental health services or not. We hope that hearing from both of you will help us have a better idea of how mental health and relationships are affected by each other and this may improve mental health treatment in the future.

WHAT WILL I GET FROM PARTICIPATING?

We will compensate you and your partner participating in the study.

This study involves multiple visits to our office over the course of one year. You and your partner each will receive $25 to $50 for every visit.

We are not providing any mental health treatment. If you are in treatment, that treatment does not have to change because of your participation.