**NSU Consent to be in a Research Study**

Who is doing this research study?

This person doing this study is Dr. Lauren Tabor Gray with NSU Health and Neuroscience Institute at Nova Southeastern University, in collaboration with Drs. Emily Plowman, Kendrea Garand and Stacey Sullivan, MS, CCC-SLP.

Why are you asking me to be in this research study?

You are being asked to take part in this research study because you are a certified speech-language pathologist who is involved in the evaluation and management of speech, swallowing and communication impairments in patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (pALS).

Why is this research being done?

The purpose of this study is to characterize the practice patterns of speech language pathology (SLP) clinicians who work with pALS.

What will I be doing if I agree to be in this research study?

You will be taking a one-time, anonymous survey. The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

Are there possible risks and discomforts to me?

This research study involves minimal risk to you. To the best of our knowledge, the things you will be doing have no more risk of harm than you would have in everyday life.

What happens if I do not want to be in this research study?

You can decide not to participate in this research and it will not be held against you. You can exit the survey at any time.

Will it cost me anything? Will I get paid for being in the study?

There is no cost for participation in this study. Participation is voluntary and no payment will be provided.

How will you keep my information private?

Your responses are anonymous. Information we learn about you in this research study will be handled in a confidential manner, within the limits of the law. Data collected from this online survey is anonymous and cannot be linked to individual participants. This data will be available to the researchers, the Institutional Review Board and other representatives of this institution. All confidential data will be kept securely on a password protected electronic database. All data will be kept for 36 months from the end of the study and destroyed after that time by deleting the electronic database.

Who can I talk to about the study?

If you have questions, you can contact Dr. Gray at Lauren.taborgray@nova.edu.

If you have questions about the study but want to talk to someone else who is not part of the study, you can call the Nova Southeastern University Institutional Review Board (IRB) at (954) 262-5369 or toll free at 1-866-499-0790 or email at IRB@nova.edu.

Do you understand and do you want to be in the study?

If you have read the above information and voluntarily wish to participate in this research study, please follow the link to access the online survey.

**Qualtrics Link:**

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