# ANNEXURE F: CHILD PARTICIPANT’S CONSENT CHECKLIST

**INFORMED CONSENT CHECKLIST**

**(Child participant)**

(Acknowledge reference to Stellenbosch)

**Project Title:** *Insert the title of your project. Simplify it if necessary.*

**Researcher’s name:**

**ADDRESS:**

**CONTACT NUMBER:**

**What is RESEARCH*?***

**Research is something we do to find new knowledge about the way things (and people) work. We use research projects or studies to help us find out more about things such as Research also helps us to find better ways of doing**

**things or helping or treating people.**

**What is this research project all about?**

*Explain your project in simple child friendly language. Adapt the information to the age of the children that you plan to include.*

**The duration of the research project?**

*Explain what is going to happen and the expected duration*

**Why have I been invited to take part in this research project?**

*Answer this question in simple language*

**Confidentiality**

*Explain the procedure and need for confidentiality*

**If a sponsor is to be involved**

*Explain potential conflict of interest*

**Who is doing the research?**

*Identify yourself and explain who you work for and/or why you are doing the project*

**What will happen to me in this study?**

*Describe what the participant will be expected to do. Describe all procedures using simple terms and explain any technical or medical terms.*

**Can anything bad happen to me?**

*Explain any possible risks to the child, using simple terms. If something might be painful, state this in the assent. Explain that the child should inform his/her parents if they are sick or in pain as a result of being in the study.*

**Who else is involved in the study?**

*Explain the number of participants and where they are from*

**Can anything good happen to me?**

*Only describe known benefits to the subject. You may include any possible future benefits to others. If there are no known benefits, state so.*

**Will anyone know I am in the study?**

*Explain in simple terms that the subject’s participation in the study will be kept confidential, but information about him/her will be given to the study sponsor. (NOTE: This information may not be applicable in assent forms for very young children).*

**Who can I talk to about the study?** *List those individuals the subject can contact (including their contact details) if he/she has any questions or has any problems related to the study.*

**What if I do not want to do this?**

*Explain to the participant that he/she can refuse to take part even if their parents have agreed to their participation. Explain that they can stop being in the study at any time without getting in trouble*