







This is a **<u>summary</u>** of the Our Health 2023 study you agreed to participate in for your reference.

# Who can I contact if I have any questions about the study?

If you have any questions or need more information about the study, please contact our study team toll-free at 1-844-900-2279 or by email at <a href="mailto:ourhealth@cbrc.net">ourhealth@cbrc.net</a>. You can also review a full copy of the consent form here: <a href="https://www.cbrc.net/ourhealth">https://www.cbrc.net/ourhealth</a>



The Principal Investigator for this study is Dr. Nathan Lachowsky (nlachowsky@uvic.ca, 250-472-5739).

## What is the study about and what did I do?

You completed a 15-minute survey about the health of 2S/LGBTQQIA+ people. You may have also completed a dried blood spot test to screen your sample for HIV, hepatitis C, and/or syphilis. If requested, you will get your **results** by email or phone in the next 3 months that you can share with a healthcare provider.

# Who can I contact if I have a concern about my rights as a participant?

This research has been reviewed by the University of Victoria's Research Ethics Board and conforms to the standards of the Canadian Tri-Council Research Ethics guidelines. In addition, you may verify the ethical approval of this study, or raise any concerns you might have, by contacting the Human Research Ethics Office at the University of Victoria (250-472-4545 or <a href="mailto:ethics@uvic.ca">ethics@uvic.ca</a>).

#### What are my rights?

This study is completely voluntary. Your responses will remain confidential. If you provided your name, you can request to have your data removed at any time up until 6 months after the study ends. If you chose to provide a blood sample, you will remain the owner of the sample and can control what our research team does with it. You can withdraw your sample at any time. You may also choose to have your sample returned to you, destroyed, or retained for future testing.

## Who are you sharing data and findings with?

The information that you provide will be shared with the research team at the Community-Based Research Centre and University of Victoria. The data may be shared with other researchers who are interested in the health of 2S/LGBTQQIA+ people later, but this will not include your name or contact information. We will share our findings with academic, government, and community groups, but you will not be identified in these results.