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### **Survey Introduction and invitation email**

**Project title:** The impact of COVID-19 pandemic on symptoms, activity and quality of life in people living with Dystonia.

**Name and Affiliation of Principal Investigators:** Associate Professor Lynley Bradnam, Dr Rebecca Meiring, Dr Silmara Gusso, research assistant Tia Lindbom, Department of Exercise Sciences, University of Auckland.

My colleagues and I would like to invite you take part in an anonymous survey investigating the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on symptoms, activity and quality of life in people living with Dystonia. You are eligible to take part if you have been diagnosed with dystonia by a neurologist and are older than 18 years of age.

You can access the participant information sheet and more information about the study by clicking [HERE](#) which will take you to the landing page of the survey. Here you will be able to read more about the study and you will be asked to consent to taking part in the survey or not. You will also have the option at the end of the survey to contact the researchers about taking part in a short one-on-one interview with a researcher if you wish to.

If you have any questions you are welcome to contact me:

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Thank you for your consideration of our research project.

Approved by the University of Auckland Human Participants Ethics Committee on 30 June 2020 for three years. Reference Number 024767