

IRB #12-031-6

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**Title of Research Study:** Changing Oral Health Norms and Hygiene Practices among Vulnerable Older Adult (GOH- Good Oral Health)

**Expected Duration of Subject's Participation:** 4 2-hour visits

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**Name of Research Participant:**

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**What Is The Purpose Of This Research Study?**

This study is a collaboration between the University of Connecticut Dental School and the Institute for Community Research. The purpose is to improve the ways older adults and adults with disabilities care for their teeth and mouths.

**Why Am I Invited To Participate?**

You are invited to take part in this study because you are an older adult or a person with a disability living in low income senior housing.

**How Many Other People Do You Think Will Participate?**

We estimate that 90 people will enroll for different types of participations at this building. In total we expect about 240 people to enroll in the study including people at other residences.

**How Long Will My Participation In This Study Last?**

You will be asked to meet with research staff for up to four visits. Each visit will last about an hour. The last visit will take place about three months after the second one. The first visit will be a survey, the second will be a dental examination, the third will be an educational program to help you improve your oral health and the fourth, three months later, will be a dental exam and a survey.

**What Are the Costs To Me For Participating In This Study?**

There will be no cost to you for participating in the research

**What Procedures Will Be Done? Are They Safe?**

