

Food Hypersensitivity Study

Introduction

Safefood, and researchers from the Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin, formerly DIT) and Queen's University Belfast are researching the socio-economic costs of living with a food hypersensitivity (coeliac disease/food allergies/intolerances) on the island of Ireland (Northern Ireland and Republic of Ireland) today. We are trying to calculate the monetary cost (additional outgoings and expenses) associated with these conditions as well as any intangible (i.e. quality of life) costs.

Who can take part?

If you would like to take part in the study you must be:

- **Parents of children & adolescents with Coeliac Disease, Food Allergies or a Food hypersensitivity**
- **Adults with Coeliac Disease, Food Allergies or a Food hypersensitivity**

What is involved and how to take part

To learn more and/or to complete this survey (10 -15 minutes) please click on this link:

<https://safefood.mysurveyhosting.com/index.php/679263?lang=en>

Please note this survey is anonymous and cannot be traced back to any computer IP address. Upon completion, participants will have the option of submitting their email address for a lottery prize draw for one of 5 x €100/£100 'One4All' vouchers. This email address cannot be linked to any submitted survey data. To take part you need to be aged 18 years or older and be a resident in Northern Ireland or Republic of Ireland.

If you are interested in taking part in the study, or would like more information, please contact a member of the study team, Miss Eliza Dimla at C14710955@mytudublin.ie or Miss Eimear O'Rourke at eorourke05@qub.ac.uk. Please note that by making contact and showing an interest you are not obliged to take part in the study.

This is a study by Queens University Belfast and the Technological University in Dublin and has been approved by the Queens University Belfast and the Technological University in Dublin Ethics Committees. The study is funded by *Safefood*.

All data collected will be treated in an anonymous manner. Therefore, all individuals' contributions will be anonymous in the final *Safefood* report, and results may be presented at conferences, in a peer reviewed journal and/or included in student reports and thesis.