****ORAL CONSENT SCRIPT FOR INTERVIEW WITH ADULT PARTICIPANTS – VERBAL & SOCIAL AUTOPSY**

**Study Title:** *<your system/study title>*

**Principal Investigator:** *<PI name>*

**IRB No.:** *<IRB number of study>*

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[Greeting]. I am [*say name*] from the *<insert organization>* in <insert *province name*>. I would like to talk to you about our study that aims to collect information on causes of death in your community. We ask you to join our [*work/research*] study because a death has recently occurred in your family. You do not have to join, it is your choice. There will be no consequences to you if you choose to do so.

If you say yes, I will ask you [some questions about the symptoms and signs that have led to the death of your [*baby/young child/relative*] and any care sought during the illness. The interview will take [*one hour and a half to complete*]. You may be uncomfortable answering some of the questions because they remind you of the illness and circumstances of death. You do not have to answer all the questions and you may stop at any time.

I will enter your information on my device and use it to inform the research team about this death. There is a risk that someone outside the study will see your information. However, we will do our best to keep your information safe by storing it in a safe place accessible only to the study team. When we share your information with other researchers, we will ask them to use the same protections.

There is no direct personal benefit to you for participating in this study. We will use your responses to increase our knowledge of the causes of death that affect your community in order to improve health programs. We will let the community know about the results of the study.

Do you have any questions? You may contact *<PI name*> from *<Your organization>* about your further questions or problems with this work. <*His/Her*> contacts are:

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Would you like to join the study?

[if yes] May I begin?