

Grampian Symptoms Study

Have you had a sore throat, chest pain or a persistent cough in the last two weeks?

If so, and you are aged over 18, a University of Aberdeen health researcher would like to hear from you.

Alison Thornton is leading the Grampian Symptoms Study, which aims to find out more about how people think about their symptoms and what they do about them.

We would like to talk to people who have had a sore throat, persistent cough or chest pain in the last two weeks. We are interested in speaking to people whether or not they have sought medical advice,

“The study involves talking to me about your symptom and filling in two short questionnaires.

Everything is kept confidential. It should take less than an hour in total and can be done wherever suits the participant either in their own home, or at the University (Foresterhill campus).”

“It is important that people remember that this is a research study,” she added. “I am not qualified to give medical advice, so if people are worried about their symptoms, they should seek medical advice in the usual way”.

Alison added: “We need around 45 volunteers for the study and are looking to include a wide variety of people – men and women of different ages and from all walks of life.”

“Anyone who is interested in getting involved can call me on.”

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and I will send them an information pack telling them more about the study. I would also be interested in hearing from any community groups who would be willing for me to come and tell them more about the study.”

“This is an opportunity to get involved in some community based research and we’d love to hear from anyone who thinks they might be able to help.