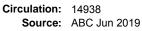


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## Deaf volunteers needed for study

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Academics at the University of Edinburgh are asking for deaf young people to take part in a study.

The research, done in partnership with the University of Manchester and funded by the National Deaf Children's Society, will assess the early experiences of young people who are deaf or suffer from hearing loss and how they affect their adult lives.

The READY study – which stands for Recording Emerging Adulthood in Deaf Youth – is looking foryoung people from England, Scotland and Wales to take part.

University of Edinburgh study co-ordinator Chris Mackintosh said: "Wehope the findings will be invaluable to young deaf people, their families and to service providers."

Volunteers will contribute to the study once every year.

