



PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

*Connecting research study teams
to members of the community*

ParticipateInResearch.org is a free and passive recruitment service supported by ITHS and UW Medicine. Study volunteers can search posted research studies and contact the study team directly via the website. In addition to 25 study categories, each study post can list key words as study “tags” to increase visibility.

ADVANTAGES OF USING THE SITE

- Free
- Easy to link to a post so it can act as study website
- Easy to update if study changes
- Can include links to other materials
- Can add a short screening survey
- Study posts show up at the top of online search results
- Using tags/key words helps participant web searches

TIPS FOR A STUDY POSTING

Study summary: You only need to give an overview. You can go over the study in more detail when someone expresses interest.

Eligibility: List general eligibility and the key criteria, not an exhaustive list. If you’re too specific, eligible participants could self-select out. Don’t cut-and-paste text from the protocol; use lay language.

PRIVACY MATTERS: *What happens to the information sent through the contact form?*

This recruitment material will be posted on [participateinresearch.org](https://www.participateinresearch.org), a website maintained by the Institute of Translational Health Sciences at the University of Washington, where it is accessible to anyone who conducts an internet search for research at the UW.

Contact regarding study participation is initiated by the potential study participant. They will provide their preferred contact information (name, email and/or phone number) via the secure site, or they will contact the study team directly through the contact information provided. The study team will receive an auto-email notification from the website regarding the inquiry.

When using the contact form, all information is encrypted and sent securely to the study contact. No contact information is retained on the site. The contact form does not ask for health information. Contact information for people who use the contact form is not available to the site administrators.

For more information about the site, privacy, and IRB approvals:

<https://www.iths.org/participate/researchers/frequently-asked-questions/>

