

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – Feb. 18, 2003 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies on melasma, female stress incontinence and psychosis in children. Participants will be compensated according to the specific requirements of each study. All trials are approved by UT Southwestern's Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

MELASMA

UT Southwestern's Department of Dermatology is conducting a study on a new cream medication used to treat melasma, a skin condition characterized by dark spots, most often on the face. Researchers are looking for 15 Hispanic women between 18 and 50 years old who have been diagnosed with melasma. Patients must have very dark areas that are of equal color on both sides of their faces. Participants will receive free facial skin exams, cream medication and financial compensation. For more information, call 214-648-1571.

FEMALE STRESS INCONTINENCE

UT Southwestern, one of nine centers nationwide participating in a study on female stress incontinence, is looking for women 21 years of age and older who have stress incontinence (accidental leakage of urine during activities such as coughing, sneezing, or lifting heavy objects). The study, which will compare the outcomes of two common surgical procedures to treat the condition, is the first of its kind ever funded by the National Institutes of Health. Participants will receive medical care and close follow-up by UT Southwestern doctors using the latest technology. For more information, call 214-648-9158.

CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS WITH PSYCHOSIS

UT Southwestern is seeking male and female study participants, ranging in age from 7 through 17 years, who have symptoms of psychosis. Participants are eligible whether or not they've been previously diagnosed with psychosis. Some symptoms of psychosis include hearing voices or seeing things, feeling isolated from others, becoming suspicious of others, undergoing significant personality change, believing you are receiving special messages, and believing others are plotting against you. Participants will receive study medication, blood work, and medical assessments at no charge for the duration of the study. For more information, call 214-648-4419.

For information about other clinical trials at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, visit <http://www3.utsouthwestern.edu/patient/clntrial.htm>

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