

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – April 15, 2002 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies on adolescent depression, bone loss and baby food. Participants will be compensated according to the specifics of each study. All trials are approved by the Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

ADOLESCENT DEPRESSION

Patients with diagnosed depression are needed for a study of teen-agers with depression at UT Southwestern. The multi-center study, funded by the National Institute of Mental Health, will compare how effective different treatments are for depression. Treatments include medication, cognitive behavior therapy or both. All study evaluations, medications and therapy for eligible participants will be provided at no cost. For more information, call 214-456-8918.

BONE LOSS

Women between the ages of 45 and 80 are needed to participate in a study comparing the effects of two drugs in preventing postmenopausal bone loss. Each phase of the four-phase study will be two weeks in duration. On the last three days of each phase, subjects will be admitted to the UT Southwestern's General Clinical Research Center and put on a constant diet. Urine analysis, medical examination and other tests are free. Participants must not be taking estrogen or other bone-saving agents, diuretics or steroids. Participants will receive monetary compensation when the study is completed. For more information, call 214-648-6494.

BABY FOOD STUDY

Healthy six-month-old babies will be enrolled in this study of baby food containing an added important nutrient naturally occurring in breast milk. Subjects will receive free baby food for six months. Parents should contact the UT Southwestern study coordinator when their baby is 2 to 4 months old to determine eligibility. The baby's eyesight and development will be studied to see if the nutrient is beneficial. For more information, call 214-363-3911, ext. 110.

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