

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – October 8, 1998 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies. Following are three of the trials being conducted. 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.

ALLERGIES

Patients are needed to participate in a six-week research study of a new allergy medication. Candidates must be between the ages of 12 and 60, have had fall allergies for the past two years or more, and have asthma that has required the treatment of inhaled steroids for at least the last two months. Candidates will be evaluated by an experienced allergy physician and will receive reimbursement for their time. Call (214) 648-5659.

PANIC DISORDER

If you experience symptoms such as difficult breathing, chest pain, nausea, fear of dying, dizziness, or fear of losing control, you may be eligible for a research study to evaluate a new medication for panic disorder. The 14-week study will include a physical exam, blood tests and free medication. Candidates must be 18 or older, in good health, suffer from frequent panic attacks, and cannot currently be taking other medications. Female participants may not be pregnant or nursing. Call Mary Pennington at (214) 648-4229.

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

African-American patients are needed for a 12-week hypertension study to evaluate a blood pressure-lowering medication. Participants must have mild to moderate hypertension and no major health problems. Qualified candidates will receive free medical treatment, chest X-ray, EKG, laboratory tests and study medication. Call Jan Davidson at (214) 648-7935.