

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – Nov. 15, 2001 – 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.

RHEUMATOID DISEASES

Patients who are currently and have been taking at least 10 mg of corticosteroids like prednisone or deltasone and have been experiencing mood swings are needed for a study at UT Southwestern. Eligible volunteers are needed to test the effectiveness of an FDA-approved psychotropic medication. Participants will be seen once a week for simple mood tests for five weeks and will receive \$60 after study completion. For more information, call 214-648-4976.

LOW-BACK PAIN

If you have suffered from low-back pain for 10 weeks or less, you may be eligible for a study at UT Southwestern. Qualified participants receive free treatment. Participants will be asked to fill out a brief questionnaire, which will only take 15 minutes to complete. Volunteer participants will be compensated. For more information, call 214-648-5281.

DIET AND BLOOD PRESSURE

Healthy study volunteers are invited to participate in a multiphase study involving the effects of diet on blood pressure and body-fluid balance. The study involves blood and urine tests during two-week periods while participants follow diets with varying mineral content. The 12-week study is divided into six two-week phases and will include outpatient and inpatient visits in the General Clinical Research Center at UT Southwestern. Scheduling of visits is flexible. Volunteers will be compensated. For more information, call 214-648-2287.

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