

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – Dec. 21, 2000 – 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.

DIABETES

Diabetics are needed for several UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas studies of various medications and diets to treat diabetes. Patients with any type of diabetes may qualify for the studies, which last from six weeks to four years. Most studies include free physician visits, tests and study medications. For more information, call 214-648-4717.

DEPRESSION

Patients with recurrent depression are needed for a UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas study of cognitive therapy. Cognitive therapy focuses on negative patterns of thinking and develops coping skills. Eligible subjects receive 16 to 20 sessions of cognitive therapy over 12 weeks. Volunteers should be drug-free, physically healthy and not currently in psychiatric treatment. For more information, call 214-648-5351.

CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas doctors are seeking volunteers for an ongoing study of people who are ineligible for a heart transplant. Men and women 18 years and older must also be in the chronic end stage of heart failure and on standard medical therapy to qualify for this study. Doctors will compare the effectiveness of a new cardiac device with current medical therapies used to treat people with congestive heart failure. For more information, call 214-648-3861.

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