

Pharmacogenetic Research Study in Schizophrenia Information for Patients

What is the purpose of our genetic research?

To find genetic factor that affects an individual's reactions to antipsychotic drugs

These studies may lead to individualized medication based on differences between individuals

Would you like to participate in our study?

If you are interested, please speak to your physician who will give us permission to contact you about our study

We are looking at responses to antipsychotic medication (mostly clozapine, olanzapine, quetiapine and risperidone) and changes in weight and eating behavior

Who can participate?

We are looking for individuals with a diagnosis of schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder

You must have very recently started or will be restarting an antipsychotic medication very soon

You must be 18 years or older

What is involved?

A two-hour interview, some questionnaires, and a small sample of blood and saliva for DNA analysis at the first visit

There will be five additional 30 minute visits after the first visit over a one year period

Compensation

You will be reimbursed \$30.00 for each study visit

Confidentiality

This study has been approved by the Ethics Committee of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. All information obtained during the study will remain strictly confidential

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