We are looking for people who have had West Nile Virus to take part in a research study.

Researchers at Children’s Hospital and Regional Medical Center and the University of Washington are looking for people of all ages that have had a confirmed diagnosis of West Nile Virus (WNV). If this is true for you, we’d like you to take part in a research study.

Purpose of the study:
We’re doing the study to find out if genetic make-up effects how likely a person is to get West Nile Virus.

If you take part in this study:
We will collect 4 to 6 teaspoons of your blood. We will collect the sample during one outpatient lab visit or at a visit to the Clinical Research Center at Children’s or the University of Washington. If you live outside of Washington, we will send you a kit that you can use to mail your blood sample to the study lab in Seattle. We will pay for the blood draw and shipping costs.

We will also ask for copies of your medical records from when you had West Nile Virus.

For information or to take part in the study, contact:
Maggie McMillin, study coordinator, at (206) 221-3849 or mcmillin@u.washington.edu
http://depts.washington.edu/bamshad/research/wnv.html

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Taking part in the study is voluntary.