OUR RESEARCH

The purpose of the "Parkinson's Genetic Research Study" (PaGeR) is to find genes that increase the risk of developing Parkinson's disease (PD).

PaGeR is a joint effort by neurologists and researchers across the United States and is sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.

The coordinating center is located at the VA Puget Sound Health Care System in Seattle.

The main focus of the study is on families in which two or more people have PD.

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DO YOU HAVE PARKINSON'S DISEASE IN YOUR FAMILY?



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Who can participate?

Families in which there are two or more individuals who have been diagnosed with PD are eligible to participate in the study.

What is required to take part in the study?

Study participants will be asked to complete a questionnaire and to undergo an interview, a neurological exam, a short memory test, and provide a sample of blood or saliva.

The interview includes questions about PD symptoms, medications taken, and family history. The questionnaire collects information about environmental exposures such as smoking, caffeine, and pesticides.

Enrollment in the study usually takes between one and two hours.





Where can my family enroll?

There are a number of sites across the country where families can enroll.

However, for family members who are unable to travel to one of these sites, other arrangements can be made.

Is there anything else I should know about the study?

All of your study information will be kept strictly confidential.

There is no cost to you to participate.

You are under no obligation to take part in this study.

I am interested in participating what should I do?

For more information, please call 206-277-4594.

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