We want to hear your story!
Have you participated in a Clinical Research study here at UMass? If so, we’d love to hear from you! We want to learn how you learned about the study; what was it like to participate in a study; what did you learn; were there benefits or challenges from participating in the study; and what can we do to improve your experience? Please contact Sarah at 508-856-2557 or sarah.rulnick@umassmed.edu.

Studies of interest

Healthy Volunteers Needed (Docket # H-11522)
We are looking for healthy volunteers to donate blood samples on different occasions. Times will be scheduled according to your availability, usually one week ahead. This is a laboratory study to learn more about the immune function of blood cells. You will be compensated for your time. If interested please call the Clinical Research Center at (508)856-2800.

UMass Vitiligo Study Seeking Volunteers (Docket # 14848)
We are looking for people with and without the autoimmune skin disease called Vitiligo. We will collect a small sample of skin and in some cases a blood sample. We want to better understand how autoimmune diseases occur in the skin, including how immune cells choose to initiate disease as well as what causes them to enter the skin. For more information, please contact Mehdi Rashighi, MD or Mehdi.Rashighi@umassmed.edu.

Simple Changes Weight Loss Research Study (Docket # H-00007555)
Do you think you need to lose some weight? You may be eligible for a research study that includes a dietary plan. We need men and women without diabetes to participate in a research study that includes a 12 week dietary plan that may impact diabetes and heart disease risk. If interested, email Gioia.Persuitte@umassmed.edu or call 508-856-1518.

Relationships Between Bipolar Disorder and Multiple Sclerosis (Docket # H-14300)
This study, involving questionnaires and interviews, will look at the relationship between Bipolar Disease and Multiple Sclerosis. For more information, please contact Carolyn Griffin, RN at 508-856-5006 or carolyn.griffin@umassmemorial.org.
The Unresolved Depression Study (Docket # H-00005319)

Individuals who are currently suffering from depression are invited to participate in a research study to determine the effectiveness of an investigational drug. Participants will be able to stay on their current medication regimen. Study participation will last up to 60 weeks. Subjects must be: 18 to 70 years of age; suffering from Major Depressive Disorder; currently experiencing depressive symptoms; currently taking an antidepressant; not be pregnant. Participants will receive study drug and study-related care at no cost. Compensation is provided. Contact Chelsea Kosma @ 508-856-5312.

Prelapse Study (Docket # H-00007426)

The goal of this study is to compare the standard treatment for psychosis with a treatment version of the medication aripiprazole that is taken only once each month. Study participants at this study location will receive the care your center usually provides. Those who qualify will receive study-related medical exams, and lab tests at no charge. People in this study will be compensated for their time. In order to participate in the study, individuals must be evaluated by a study doctor and meet certain criteria including, but not limited to: male or female ages 18-35, have a clinical diagnosis of psychosis and up to 5 years of antipsychotic medication exposure. For more information, please contact: 508-856-MIND(6463) MIND@umassmed.edu

Tardive Dyskinesia Study (Docket # H-00006334)

We invite those who are experiencing involuntary movements in their face or other parts of their body – and suffer from schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder – to see if they may qualify for the Kinect 3 Study. The purpose of this clinical research study is to evaluate the effectiveness, safety, and tolerability of an investigational oral medication for tardive dyskinesia. Those who qualify will receive study medication, study-related medical exams, and lab tests at no charge. In order to participate in the study, individuals must be evaluated by a study doctor and meet certain criteria including, but not limited to: male or female aged 18 to 85 years, have a clinical diagnosis of schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder, have a clinical diagnosis of Tardive Dyskinesia (TD). For more information, please contact: 508-856-MIND(6463) MIND@umassmed.edu

Schizophrenia and Alcohol Study (Docket # H-00005852)

The purpose of the study is to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medication in treating schizophrenia in individuals ages 18 to 65 years old who use alcohol. Each patient who qualifies will receive investigational medication, study-related medical exams, and laboratory tests at no cost. Eligibility: men and women 18 to 65 years old who have had a recurrence of schizophrenia symptoms within the last 6 months and have experienced at least 10 drinking days in the last month. Contact Info: Radhika Natarajan (508) 856-8323 Radhika.Natarajan@umassmed.edu