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Welcome to the Research Resource Guide for Community Partners!

This guide was designed as a practical tool to connect Baltimore residents to Johns Hopkins University research opportunities related to HIV, hepatitis, and tuberculosis (TB). The guide comprises research study recruitment fliers (approved by a university Institutional Review Board), intended for people living with or at-risk for HIV, hepatitis and/or TB. The guide’s simple format and multi-platform quarterly dissemination strategy enable the community to stay informed about ongoing research being conducted in the interest of public health. By bridging the gap between residents and researchers, the guide can help increase dialogue about these health issues while facilitating improved access to clinical support and educational resources, which research studies may provide.

Objectives
The Research Resource Guide for Community Partners has two primary objectives:
1. To inform community based organizations and their clients about engagement opportunities in HIV, hepatitis, and TB research studies at Johns Hopkins University, and
2. To improve and diversify recruitment strategies for HIV, hepatitis, and TB research studies based at Johns Hopkins University.

Make the Most of this Guide
This resource guide is designed to be easy for Baltimore residents and community agencies to use and share. Each research study that is included is different in its focus and inclusion criteria, so be sure to read the fliers carefully before sharing them with your clients. See below for a list of some practical, creative ways you can share this tool in meaningful ways:

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 SHARE ON E-MAIL LISTS: Attach the guide to e-mails in its current PDF format, and send it to mailing lists whose members might benefit from its contents.

 PRINT FULL PAGE FLIERS: On the print screen, choose to print pages 4-25. Be sure that you are printing “One side only” under Layout on the Properties tab. If you have a color printer, be sure to print in color. If you don’t have a color printer, consider printing the fliers on colored paper so they stand out.

 PRINT MINI-FLIERS: On the print screen, choose to print pages 4-25. On that same print screen, choose “Multiple pages per sheet” for Page Scaling and then select either “2” or “4” for Pages per sheet. Be sure that you are printing on “One side only” under Layout on the Properties tab. If you have a color printer, be sure to print in color. If you don’t have a color printer, consider printing the fliers on colored paper so they stand out. Once you have printed all of your mini fliers, cut/trim them accordingly and display or hand them to your clients.

 CREATE A BOOKLET: On the print screen, select “Booklet Printing” for Page Scaling and then select “Both sides” for Booklet subset. Select “Auto-Rotate Pages” and then print the document. Fold the stack of fliers in half and secure with a staple along the inside of the crease, if desired.

Contact Information
If you have questions, comments or concerns for the developers of this guide, or if you want your research study fliers to be included in future editions of this guide, e-mail Kayla Herne (kherne1@jhmi.edu). For additional information about any of the studies featured in this guide, please use the contact information included on the study flier.
Female Volunteers Needed for Research Study

Women between the ages of 18 and 45 who currently have bacterial vaginosis (BV), or have been treated in the past for BV, are needed for a research study investigating nanoparticle movement in human mucus (IRB study # NA_00085130).

Participants will perform a simple, rapid, self-administered procedure similar to tampon insertion and removal. Participant identity will not be made public.

Participation takes ~15 min and compensation of $40 is provided.

Contact Dr. Laura Ensign
lensign@jhmi.edu
443-990-1339 (call or text)

Principal Investigator: Dr. Justin Hanes
Smith Building, Room 6001
400 N. Broadway, Baltimore, MD 21231 (map below)
Why is this important?

HIV and AIDS continue to have a huge impact the Black community. Currently, an estimated 1 in 32 Black women and 1 in 16 Black men will contract HIV in their lifetimes. About 38% of this population are living with HIV and are unaware. This issues is particularly important for youth and young adults as well as women. HIV and AIDS has the most impact on the residents living in Baltimore zip codes 21206, 21237, 21205, 21213, 21281, and 21214. For Black Americans in Baltimore, HIV testing and prevention is a serious issue.

What is involved?

We would like to develop a church based intervention or program to prevent HIV through abstinence and reducing people’s risky behaviors, and promote HIV testing, but we need your help! We would like to know what’s important for this kind of program, what might work and what won’t. We will ask you to participate in the following research study by participating in:

- **Interviews** with the pastor (2-3 hours; $50).
- **Focus groups** with church members (2-3 hours; $50) at each selected church.
- **Surveys** with church members over the age of 18 (1-2 hours; $30).

Questions about risk behaviors, preferences for what is in the intervention, and what is needed to carry out the intervention.

*Each participating church will also receive $200 for their time.*

We will use the information you give us to develop an intervention for churches. We will test out the intervention to make sure it works for the church.

Who is involved?

About 3 African-American churches in Baltimore with a focus on the area codes in the Baltimore City Metropolitan area. Overall about 300 people will participate.

Where will this take place?

Interviews, focus groups, and the intervention will all take place at each participating church as part of the research study.

Questions? Contact: Principal Investigator (PI): Jennifer M. Stewart, PhD, RN  
(773) 577-9902, jstewa44@jhu.edu
Healthy Women

Needed for a research study of Depo Provera birth control and PrEP, a daily medicine to prevent HIV infection

Earn up to $2,250

Principal Investigator: Jenell Coleman, MD
Protocol Number: IRB00033945

For more information call 410-614-2724
Study Participants Needed

An investigational HIV research study is recruiting blood donors. This is a unique opportunity to contribute to the knowledge of HIV disease. This is NOT a treatment study and does NOT involve taking experimental medicines. You will continue to receive your medical care from your own medical care provider.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE:
- Men or non-pregnant women who are HIV-positive, do not have AIDS, and are not taking HIV medicines
- Men or non-pregnant women who are HIV-positive, have AIDS, and are not currently taking HIV medicines
- Men or non-pregnant women who are HIV-positive, do not have AIDS, and have started taking HIV medicines (highly active antiretroviral therapy) on or after January 1, 2011
- Must be between 18-55 years of age

WHAT'S INVOLVED:
- Screening/Enrollment/initial blood donation visit
- Up to 2 more donation visits per year – each visit lasts less than 1 hour
- $50 reimbursement for enrollment and donation visits (<180 mL of blood)

BENEFITS OF JOINING:
- Help researchers better understand HIV infection and AIDS
- Flexible scheduling
- A friendly, supportive environment with light refreshments

To volunteer or for more information, please contact Dr. James T. Stivers at (410) 502-2758.

eIRB study number: IRB00038590
Study Participants Needed

A Johns Hopkins investigational HIV research team is recruiting blood donors. This is a unique opportunity to contribute to the knowledge of HIV disease.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE:
- Men or non-pregnant women who are HIV-negative (as needed to match HIV positive donors)
- Must be between 18-55 years of age

WHAT'S INVOLVED:
- Initial blood donation visit
- Up to 2 more donation visits per year – each visit lasts less than 1 hour
- $30 reimbursement for time and effort for enrollment and donation visits (15c/mL up to 180 mL per visit)

BENEFITS OF JOINING:
- Help researchers better understand HIV infection and AIDS
- Flexible scheduling

To volunteer or for more information, please contact Dr. James T. Stivers at (410) 502-2758. eIRB study number: IRB00038590
IF YOU ARE LIVING WITH HIV, YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY

WHAT CAN YOU GET IN THE STUDY?
• Learn the benefits of taking HIV medications
• Earn up to $1,030 for completing assessments
• Some people may earn up to $7,300 over 2 years for providing blood samples that show that they have been taking their HIV medications regularly

HOW CAN YOU APPLY FOR THE STUDY?
Call the Center for Learning and Health at 1-866-857-9851 or contact a Center for Learning and Health staff member at your medical clinic.

Principal Investigator: Kenneth Silverman, Ph.D.
Protocol Number: IRB00044740
RESEARCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Are you taking medications for HIV along with medications to help with depression or mood?

Are you?

- 24 years old or younger
- HIV+
- Taking HIV medication along with one of the following medications:
  - citalopram [Celexa®],
  - escitalopram [Lexapro®],
  - risperidone [Risperdal®],
  - sertraline [Zoloft®]
  - fluoxetine [Prozac® or Sarafem®]
  - paroxetine [Paxil®, Paxil CR®, Pexeva®, or Brisdelle®]

Children and adolescents who are infected with HIV and are taking selected antiretroviral medications, along with selected medications to help with depression and/or mood may be eligible to participate in a research study to measure the levels of medication in the body.

To see if you are eligible, contact the study team at 443-287-8942 or tander34@jhmi.edu

Financial compensation will be provided to participants.

Dr. Allison Agwu, Principal Investigator, NA_00043090, JHU Department of Pediatrics
200 North Wolfe Street Baltimore, MD 21287

Approved October 6, 2014
HIV+ Research Participants
Needed for Memory Research Study

Researchers are seeking HIV+ individuals to participate in a research study being done to study memory and brain function, Alzheimer’s Disease and Cardiovascular Disease.

You may be eligible if you are:

- HIV positive
- 20-85 years old
- Not using any street drugs

If you qualify, you will receive memory testing and tests of Alzheimer’s disease and cardiovascular disease risks, one PET scan and one MRI scan of your head.

You will be paid for your participation.

For more information and to find out if you are eligible call:
Heidi Vornbrock Roosa
410-502-2459 or email hvornbr1@jhmi.edu

Investigators:
Mona Mohamed, M.D., Ph.D.
Ned Sacktor, M.D.
Application No.NA_00070297
HIV-Negative Volunteers Needed for Memory Research Study

We provide HIV testing with same-day results
or you may provide test results from within past 30 days.

Researchers are seeking HIV-Negative individuals to participate in a research study being done to study memory and brain function, Alzheimer’s disease and Cardiovascular Disease.

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Investigators: Mona A Mohamed, MD, PhD
Ned Sacktor, M.D.
Application No: NA_00070297
ATTENTION: Providers & Nurses

WHAT: Very Early Intensive Treatment of HIV-Infected Infants to Achieve HIV Remission: A Phase I/II Proof of Concept Study

WHY: To investigate the hypothesis that very early antiretroviral therapy (ART) in HIV-infected neonates may permit long-term control of HIV replication off ART and lead to HIV remission. This study will also assess the safety and PKs of this very early combination ART in neonates.

WHO: Cohort 2: HIV + Mothers and their infants aged ≤ 10 days of age with documented in utero HIV within 48 hours of birth and who initiated ART outside of the study within 48 hours of birth.

STUDY DESIGN: Infants will take the study ART regimen of Nevirapine (NVP) plus 2 other antiretrovirals (ARVs) immediately and will add Lopinavir/ Ritonavir (LPV/r) at ≥ 14 days of age. These infants and their mothers could be followed up to 5 years.

Key Eligibility Criteria:

Mother:
- Confirmed or presumed HIV infection and that did not receive ARVs during the current pregnancy (receipt of ARVS prior to this pregnancy or during labor/or intrapartum period for current pregnancy is acceptable).
  OR
- First identified as HIV-infected in labor or postpartum

Infant:
- ≥ 34 weeks gestational age at birth
- Compliant on an ART regimen initiated within 48 hours of birth and includes NVP plus 2 ARVs.

If there is a potentially eligible patient or for more information, please contact …

Aleisha Collinson-Streng (Research Nurse Coordinator)
O: 410-287-8888  Email: acolli14@jhmi.edu  Thank You!!!!

Principal Investigator: Allison Agwu, M.D., Sc.M.
IRB00034485
Do You Have Problems With Your Memory And Concentration?

If yes, you may be eligible for a research study adding two HIV drugs to the HIV drugs that you already take. These additional HIV drugs may have an effect on memory and concentration.

You may be eligible if you are:
- HIV positive
- 18 years or older
- Currently taking HIV medications

You will be paid for your participation

For more information and to find out if you are eligible call:
Jason Creighton at 443-799-7247

Principal Investigator:
Ned Sacktor, MD
IRB00050683
This study will look at the effects of a medication, low dose methotrexate (LDMTX), on inflammation and heart health in people who have HIV infection. It will also look at whether LDMTX can lower the risk of heart disease by lowering HIV-related inflammation.

Patients will be randomly assigned (like flipping a coin) to get study drugs as either:
- Low Dose Methotrexate + Folic Acid Supplement
- Placebo* for LDMTX + Folic Acid Supplement

* a pill that does not contain active medication

Key requirements:
* HIV-1 Positive
* At least 40 years of age
* Undetectable HIV viral load while on continuous HIV treatment for past 6 months
* CD4 cell count at least 400
* Active heart disease or at high risk for heart disease

Cannot be:
* Infected with chronic Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C
* Treated for major illness or received antibiotics within last 60 days
* A woman of childbearing potential

Participants will be compensated

For more information please call: 410-955-2898

Principal Investigator
Todd Brown, MD, PhD
NA_00088694
Pregnant Volunteers Needed for Research Study

Women between the ages of 18 and 45 (pregnant only) are needed for a research study investigating nanoparticle movement in human mucus (eIRB study # NA_00038105).

Participants will perform a simple, rapid, self-administered procedure similar to tampon insertion and removal. Participants may also be asked to provide blood samples.

Participant identity will not be made public.

Time required for participation is about 15-20 minutes.

Compensation of $10 (blood) and/or $20 (mucus) is provided for participation in the study.

Contact Dr. Laura Ensign, lensign@jhu.edu or Dr. Justin Hanes (Principal Investigator), hanes@jhmi.edu.
PrEPception

Expanding Conception Options for Serodiscordant Couples

Are you an **HIV positive man** who desires to have a baby with an **HIV negative woman**?

OR

Are you an **HIV negative woman** who desires to have a baby with an **HIV positive man**?

You may be eligible to participate in a research study about use of pre-exposure prophylaxis or PrEP during conception.

**Eligible Men:**
- HIV-positive in a relationship with an HIV-negative woman
- Older than 18 years of age
- With a female partner who has chosen to use PrEP for conception after counseling with a health care provider

**Eligible Women:**
- Confirmed HIV-negative in a relationship with an HIV-positive man
- Older than 18 years of age
- Has chosen to use PrEP for conception after counseling with a health care provider
Join our Clinical Research Study about heart disease prevention in people with HIV.

You may be eligible if:
- You have HIV and are between the ages of 40 and 75.
- You have been on antiretroviral therapy (ART) for at least 6 months.
- You have no history of cardiovascular disease (history of heart attack or stroke, etc.).
- You are not currently using a statin drug.

Pitavastatin is a statin that, along with diet, has been approved by the FDA for the treatment of high cholesterol. It also lowers triglyceride levels in the blood. The main purpose of this clinical trial is to see if pitavastatin can prevent heart disease and heart disease related deaths in people with HIV infection who are taking HIV medications.

Todd Brown, MD  
IRB00058937  
www.reprievetrial.org/participants  
410-955-2898

REPRIEVE  
Randomized Trial to Prevent Vascular Events in HIV  
Approved May 20, 2015
The ESSENCE Project: Baltimore women’s health study

A research study on healthy intimate relationships, stress, and the neighborhood.

Spit it out, Baltimore City women! Volunteer to tell us about your life experiences, your stressors, and your community.

Who: African American or Black heterosexual women, ages 18-40, who are sexually active.

What: 1-hour survey, plus a wellness kit to take home.

Why: Free HIV screening. Earn up to $70

Contact: For more info, call us at (443) 690-9494

This research is conducted under the direction of Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell at the Johns Hopkins University, School of Nursing and Dr. Jamila K. Stockman through the University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine. JHU IRB App No.: NA_00090817

PI: Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing

JHM eIRB: NA_00090817
Volunteers Needed

ARE YOU FATIGUED (TIRED)?

If you are HIV-infected you may qualify for a research study evaluating the dietary supplement American ginseng for the treatment of fatigue.

This outpatient study lasts up to 6 weeks and requires you to take study medications for 4 weeks and report for several outpatient visits. The study pays up to $240 for completion.

Call 410-502-0033 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Adriana Andrade, MD. Protocol NA_00071671

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Volunteers Needed

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Call 410-502-0033 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Adriana Andrade, MD. Protocol NA_00071671
Do you identify as a trans woman of color? Are you at least 15 years old & do you live in Baltimore?

**SPEAK UP!**

**USE YOUR VOICE!**

This research study may be for you!

Call or email to see if you are eligible.

AND GET PAID FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

Contact Information
twochealthbaltimore@gmail.com
443 470 5475

Ask for Mannat

Principle Investigator: Tonia Poteat, PhD at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; IRB Number: 00006279
Do you have Hepatitis B and HIV?

Call Katie at (443) 540-1527

You may be eligible for a non-medication research study to understand Hepatitis B infection in people who also have HIV infection. Participants are reimbursed for their time.

Principal Investigator: Mark Sulkowski, MD
RPN: NA_00092970
Have you completed Hepatitis C treatment within the last year?

If yes, you may be able to join a Research study where your experience can help us develop better ways to treat Hepatitis C.

This 5-year study is for HIV-positive and HIV-negative people. It will help us understand how Hepatitis C treatment impacts a person’s health and more about resistance to the new Hepatitis C medicines and how it may affect future treatments.

Study visits are twice a year, plus a visit before starting any new Hepatitis C treatment. No new medicines are provided by the study. Compensation provided.

To join you must:
- be 18 years or older
- have Hepatitis C infection
- have completed treatment for Hepatitis C in the last 12 months
- not currently be on Hepatitis C treatment. You can start new treatment after joining

For more information please call 410-955-2898

Mark Sulkowski, MD
NA_00092078
PURPOSE of ALIVE Study:
The Johns Hopkins University is conducting a research study among current and former injection drug users. Participants will be asked questions about their drug using activities, sexual behaviors and personal health. Also, each person will receive free, confidential screening for HIV infection hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection and counseling about the results of these tests. Our study is open to people who are at risk for HIV and for those who are living with HIV.

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION
Each study participant receives:
- Free, confidential testing and counseling for HIV infection.
- Measurement of HIV viral load and CD4 cell count if infected with HIV.
- Free, confidential testing and counseling for hepatitis C infection. This will include HCV RNA testing which can tell someone whether they have chronic infection.
- Participants will be asked to return every six months where they will receive blood tests and referrals as needed. Participants will be reimbursed for all visits.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:
Any adult (18 years or older) who has injected illicit drugs.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR THE STUDY:
For appointments call 410-955-7510. You do not need to give your whole name for an appointment. A first name and last initial will do. You must present a photo ID when you come to the clinic for an appointment.

The Wood Clinic
2213 McElderry Street
3rd Floor
Phone: 410-955-7510

Monday - Friday
9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Principal Investigators:
Dr. Gregory Kirk, M.D., Ph.D. & Dr. Shruti Mehta, Ph.D.
ATTENTION:

People at Risk - IDU

Ages 18 – 45

- YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A RESEARCH HEALTH STUDY AT
JOHNS HOPKINS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
- THE PURPOSE OF THE RESEARCH STUDY IS TO STUDY HIGH
RISK BEHAVIOR AMONG INTRAVENOUS DRUG USERS
- ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE PAID FOR THEIR TIME.

Stop By:

The Ferne Johnson Center
2213 McElderry St 3rd floor
Office Hours: Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

or

CALL US
(410) 502-9639 or (410) 502-9520

PI: Andrea Cox application number NA_00046368