



Huntington Disease BioBank at the University of British Columbia

**PARTICIPANT ASSENT FORM**  
(for anyone unable to give legal consent)

**Invitation**

I am being invited to be part of a research study on Huntington Disease. A research study helps doctors learn more about a disease. It is up to me if I want to be in this study. I have as much time as I want to decide. No one will make me be part of the study. Even if I agree now to be part of the study, I can change my mind later. No one will be mad at me if I choose not to be part of this study.

**Why are they doing this research study?**

I might have Huntington Disease or something that is like Huntington Disease. The doctors would like to study my blood to help them learn more about the disease in my family.

**What will happen in this study?**

If I decide to be in this study, they will collect blood from my arm with a needle. I will feel a tiny prick when they put in the needle, but it only lasts a second. Sometimes afterwards my arm might bleed a little bit or feel bruised or sore. My blood will be stored in a locked freezer called a "BioBank" where researchers at UBC and around the world can use it for only for Huntington Disease research and keep it for as long as they need to until they find a treatment or cure for the disease.

**Who is doing this study?**

**Dr. Michael Hayden** and other doctors and researchers from UBC will be doing this study. I can call them at **604-875-3999** and they will answer any questions I have about being a part of the DNA Bank.

**Who will know I am in the study?**

Only my doctors and people who are involved in the study will know I am in it. When the researchers write reports about what was learned they will not say my name or that I was in the study. The researchers will try their best to keep all information about me and my family private, but there is a small risk that people outside my family and doctors may find out.

**Do I want to do this research study?**

If I write my name just below, it means that I agree to be in the study.

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Name (printed)

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Signature

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Date