

Mental Illness Hurts.

Research has shown that genes can make some people more likely than others to develop Manic-Depression (Bipolar Disorder) or Schizophrenia. Our team of researchers at the University of Southern California is trying to find these genes. Once these genes are identified, new and improved treatments may be developed.

Call toll free: **(866) 689-1443**
Email: **psych.genetics@usc.edu**

All inquiries are strictly confidential

If eligible, you will be asked to participate in an interview and to give a small blood sample.

You will be paid for your participation.



You may be eligible to take part in this study if you:

- are 18 or older and
- have a diagnosis of Schizophrenia OR
- have a diagnosis of Manic-Depression (Bipolar Disorder)

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DO YOU HAVE A DIAGNOSIS OF SCHIZOPHRENIA OR BIPOLAR DISORDER?

Please consider taking part in a research study sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health. This study will allow scientists at the University of Southern California and other research centers to search for genes that may be related to schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.

WHY FIND THESE GENES?

- Identifying these genes would help us to understand the brain mechanisms involved in schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and related disorders.
- Finding the relevant genes could lead to the discovery of better treatments.
- You will be making a contribution to state-of-the-art medical research.
- You will be helping to improve the lives of others.
- You will be paid for your time.

WHO MIGHT PARTICIPATE?

- You are 18 years old or older.
- You have a diagnosis of schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.
- Your close relatives have not participated in the study.

IF YOU TAKE PART:

- You will be interviewed about your personal and family mental health history.
- You will give a small blood sample.
- You will be paid for your time.
- Your confidentiality is protected.

IF YOU THINK YOU ARE ELIGIBLE AND WANT TO TAKE PART:

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