



# CHB-CONNECT Volunteer Research Registry



## Medical Research at Children's Hospital Boston

Children's Hospital Boston is committed to identifying new approaches to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of childhood diseases, and to promoting the health and well-being of children.

## CHB-CONNECT: Volunteer Research Registry

The research registry is a way to connect people interested in participating in clinical research studies, including parents and children, with researchers at Children's Hospital Boston.

### What is medical research?

Medical research is a way to learn more about health in general, and to ask questions that may lead to better ways of preventing and treating pediatric diseases in the future. Examples of such questions include:

- Does a certain medicine cure a disease, or make some of the symptoms go away?
- How does a certain medical condition or disease affect the body?

### Who can participate in medical research?

- healthy children and adults
- children and adults with medical diseases
- children and adults with behavioral disorders

### What do research volunteers do?

Research volunteers help researchers test and learn more about:

- new drugs and medical equipment
- medical procedures
- how the body works
- how diseases affect the body

### If I join the registry, am I automatically entered into a study?

Entering your information in the registry does not automatically enter you or your child into a study. Children's researchers will review your information, and if you or your child is eligible to join a study, you may be contacted to discuss possible participation.

### What if I do not want to participate in a particular study?

At any time before or during a study, you can decide not to participate. You can also remove your information from the registry at any time.

## Important links

### Enroll in CHB-CONNECT:

Visit [childrenshospital.org/connect](http://childrenshospital.org/connect)

### A Parent's Guide to Medical Research

This interactive guide helps parents gather information to help make informed decisions about their child's participation in clinical research.

[bostonchild.vitalconsent.com/bstnchld/index.html](http://bostonchild.vitalconsent.com/bstnchld/index.html)

### Find a Clinical Trial at Children's

This recruitment website allows families, patients and health care providers to search for clinical studies conducted at Children's.

[childrenshospital.org/research/clinical](http://childrenshospital.org/research/clinical)

[www.childrenshospital.org/connect](http://www.childrenshospital.org/connect)