

Volunteer News

April 2022



Happy National Volunteer Month



April is National Volunteer Month and a celebration of the impact volunteers have on our lives.

With over 162,000 volunteers currently registered in ResearchMatch, we extend our ***thanks to you*** for being a ResearchMatch volunteer and your commitment to improving health for future generations.

What is *Informed Consent*?

Informed consent is a crucial part of volunteering for research. It's an ongoing conversation between study participants and researchers.

Learn more about the different components of informed consent [HERE](#).



Upcoming Events

April 23rd: *Clinical Research and Engagement Conference*

Texas Southern University, Center for Biomedical &

Minority Health Research Community Engagement Core will host a Clinical Research and Engagement Conference on **April 23rd from 10:30am-2pm (ET)**. The conference will feature researchers and clinical trial participants who will discuss ethical issues in clinical trials, phases of clinical research and participation in clinical trials. Pre-registration is encouraged. Scan the QR code to pre-register or join virtually using the Zoom information below:



- **Webinar ID:** 853 9200 0878
- **Passcode:** cbmhr
- [Webinar Zoom Link](#)



April 28th: Facebook Live Event with the National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA)

The National Latino Behavioral Health Association will host a “Platicas” session on **April 28th at 2pm ET/ 1pm CT / 12pm MT**. This interactive Facebook Live webcast will feature special guest Loretta Byrne, National Project Manager of ResearchMatch.org. Loretta will be discussing the importance of volunteering for research studies and ResearchMatch.

Join the event by clicking [this Facebook link](#)



May 17th: Webinar with the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

ResearchMatch will host a webinar highlighting the **National Organization for Rare Disorders**. The presentation will highlight the patient journey after receiving a diagnosis of a rare disease and how NORD provides help or resources at various points along the way. More details about the webinar are coming soon!

Share your story about taking part in research



Stories are powerful - they can create change and inspire new ideas. We would love to hear your story about taking part in ResearchMatch. This may include:

- How ResearchMatch has helped to match you with a clinical trial related to your health condition
- An interesting research study you have participated in
- Your thoughts and experiences about taking part in health research

Email your story to us at info@researchmatch.org – we are excited to hear from you!

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