

Would You Like to Contribute to a study to Help Determine the Treatment for Patients Who Have Clinical Diagnosis of Idiopathic Parkinson's Disease, Dystonia, or Tremor?

A Farmer Foundation Research Study

“Novel Paradigms and Their Therapeutic Mechanisms in Deep Brain Stimulation for Parkinson's Disease”

We invite you to take part in a research study because you have been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and will be receiving a deep brain stimulation (DBS) system as treatment for the disease. The purpose of this study is to learn about how to improve the outcomes of DBS for Parkinson's disease and other movement disorders by examining the effects of stimulation patterns.

Who is Eligible?

- Between 40 and 80 years of age (Parkinson's disease is primarily a disease with onset in the fifth or sixth decade of life and onset before age 50 is rare);
- Ability to provide informed consent;
- Clinical diagnosis of idiopathic PD;
- Disease duration of at least 3 years;

What is Involved?

You may participate in this research for about 7 months. You will begin study participation prior to your DBS surgical procedure. You will have a research office visit to obtain research MRI scans about a week or two before the surgery is performed. After the surgery, you will be in the hospital for about 6 days after the DBS is implanted, having research tests done each day, then you will have a research office visits about 6 months after the surgery.

Benefits of Participating

You will receive a stipend of \$150 for the pre-surgery research office visit and \$150 for the research office visit at 6 months after the surgery. For each of the externalized days (immediately after the DBS lead implanting surgery) when you participate in the research procedures, you will be given a stipend of \$300 All stipend checks will be mailed to you, after the pre-surgery visit, after the inpatient research procedures and after the 6 month research office visit.

For more information:

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