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**BIOBANK**

A few minutes of your time and a  
simple blood draw can impact the  
**future of medicine.**



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## About the Research Project

You are invited to help Penn Medicine build a powerful resource for our researchers.

The Penn Medicine BioBank project is a collection of samples donated by volunteers, such as blood or tissue samples and health information. By donating to the Penn Medicine BioBank you will support new and emerging technologies at the forefront of medical research.

The BioBank's purpose is to make it easier for researchers to perform studies, since the samples and information from many different volunteers are maintained in one place. When Penn researchers want to study a health issue, they can apply to use BioBank samples instead of finding new samples. This makes conducting research studies timelier and more efficient because researchers have immediate access to blood and tissue samples and the health information of our participants.

Future generations  
will benefit from your  
donation.



## How to Participate

If you choose to participate, you will be asked to:

- Sign a document agreeing to participate.
- Answer a few questions about your health history and lifestyle.
- Allow our BioBank team to obtain information from your medical record.
- Provide a blood sample. If you are having blood drawn as part of your clinic visit, you are not required to have blood drawn again. There is no charge to participate.

In addition, you may decide to:

- Allow researchers to study any tissue samples doctors have removed during a medical procedure but are no longer needed for your care. Donating excess tissue is not required for BioBank participation. Extra surgeries or procedures are also not necessary.

We may ask you to continue supporting the BioBank by:

- Filling out more questionnaires.
- Participating in other research studies at Penn Medicine.



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## Contact the BioBank Team

If you are interested in participating,  
we welcome your questions or concerns.  
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