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# What You Need to Know Before Participating: **PARTICIPANT BILL OF RIGHTS**

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*Any volunteer who gives his or her consent to participate in a clinical trial or who is asked to give his or her consent on behalf of another has the following rights:*

- To be told the purpose of the clinical trial.
- To be told all the risks, side effects or discomforts that might be reasonably expected.
- To be told of any benefits that can be reasonably expected.
- To be told what will happen in the study and whether any procedures, drugs or devices are different than those that are used as standard medical treatment.
- To be told about options available and how they may be better or worse than being in a clinical trial.
- To be allowed to ask any questions about the trial before giving consent and at any time during the course of the study.
- To be allowed ample time, without pressure, to decide whether to consent or not to consent to participate.
- To be told of any medical treatments available if complications occur during the trial.
- To receive a signed and dated copy of the informed consent form.
- To refuse to participate, for any reason, before and after the trials started.