

Volunteer

This pamphlet contains information and descriptions of studies currently seeking volunteers willing to participate in research studies.

Scientists in Rockland County are helping to make new discoveries every day about things like how the brain functions, but they need your help.

Volunteers are needed from all ages, gender, and ethnic groups to participate in many different studies, which include things like memory, MRI, and other studies.

Please call the Volunteer Recruitment Pool to register. After you register for the pool you will be contacted about studies that you qualify to participate in. You can participate only in the studies you are interested in. Transportation may be provided, and you will be paid for your time.

We have both outpatient and inpatient studies available.

Please contact the **Nathan Kline Institute** for more information on these and other studies.

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The Nathan S. Kline Institute

NKI is a research institute of the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH). This state-funded institute is dedicated to the services of OMH patients and psychiatric research. As a premier center of excellence in mental health research, all of the studies conducted at NKI are intended to improve care for people suffering from many complex, psychobiologically-based, mental disorders. We focus primarily on patient-oriented research programs examining the causes, diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and care of severe and long-term mental disorders, as well as clinically relevant research on the physiological and biochemical aspects of mental processes and disease.

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RESEARCH PROTOCOLS

This is a sampling of some of the various research studies currently seeking volunteers.

To register for the *Volunteer Recruitment Pool* and to hear about these and other studies that you may be eligible for please contact the Nathan Kline Institute at 845-398-2184

<p><i>Emotional Experiences study</i></p> <p>Complete computer tasks, several self-questionnaires, and emotion recognition tasks.</p> <p>Visits: 1 Payment: \$10 per hour Time: 2 hours</p>	<p><i>Neurophysiology study</i></p> <p>Perform visual tasks while being monitored on an EKG or MRI. Also, take brief psychological tests looking at your reasoning and thinking abilities.</p> <p>Visits: 3 Payment: \$150 Time: 8 hours each visit (flexible)</p>	<p><i>fMRI study</i></p> <p>Perform tasks, such as computer games while in fMRI, to examine brain activity in response to decision-making.</p> <p>Visits: 1 Payment: Time: 2 hours \$10 per hour</p>
<p><i>Frontal White Matter study</i></p> <p>Includes one MRI, a urine sample, interviews to assess behaviors, and tests that measure attention and memory.</p> <p>Visits: 3 Payment: \$75 Time: 2-3 hours</p>	<p><i>Mood study</i></p> <p>ELDERLY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Physical and neurological exams, blood draws, ECG, drug screening, MRI, Neuropsychological testing, and medical and psychiatric evaluations.</p> <p>Visits: 10 (over 4 years) Payment: \$50/Visit Time: 2-3hrs per visit, some procedures longer</p>	<p><i>Visual Processing study</i></p> <p>Tasks involve looking at pictures on a computer screen, listening to different sounds, and pushing different buttons to monitor sensory perception.</p> <p>Visits: 3 (flexible) Payment: Time: 20-24hrs (flexible) \$10 per hour</p>
<p><i>MRI study</i></p> <p>60-minute MRI scan while laying still (you can sleep or listen to music), and 1 hour of cognitive and memory testing on a computer.</p> <p>Visits: 1 Time: approx. 3 hours Payment: \$80</p>	<p><i>Early Cortical Processing study</i></p> <p>Tests of auditory and visual stimuli during EEG.</p> <p>Visits: 3-4 (flexible) Payment: \$10 per hour Time: 1st & 2nd = 2-3 hrs each 3rd & 4th = 6 hrs each</p>	<p>***Female volunteers may be required to take a pregnancy test before an MRI scan. Pregnant females will not be allowed to participate in some MRI studies, but may be eligible for other protocols.</p> <p>***Some studies may be combined or scheduled for the same day, maximizing your participation and payment.</p>