## SICKLE CELL DISEASE HEALTHY VOLUNTEERS & PATIENTS NEEDED

Doctors at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) seek healthy volunteers (with or without a sickle cell trait) and patients with sickle cell for a research study. Sickle cell disease is a genetic blood disorder that occurs mainly in people of African descent. Study participants will have a one-time visit to the NIH to provide blood samples. Researchers hope this study will help us better understand sickle cell disease.

## To be eligible for this study, you must:

- ♦ Be between the ages of 18 to 80 years
- Describe yourself as African or African American
- Not have had a blood transfusion within the last 8 weeks
- ♦ Not be pregnant

## What is involved?

- ♦ Blood collection
- Genetic and DNA testing
- ♦ Compensation is provided

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**Location:** The NIH Clinical Center is America's Research Hospital is located in Bethesda, Maryland, on the Metro red line (Medical Center stop).

For more information, contact: NIH Clinical Center Office of Patient Recruitment **1-800-411-1222** (refer to study 18-H-0146)

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