

## **ASSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH**

The University of Mississippi Medical Center

Stomach infections in kids living in Mississippi

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Dr. Hobbs is doing a research study to try and find out why kids who are living in Mississippi have infections in their stomachs. You are being asked if you want to be in this research study because you live in Mississippi and you are a kid.

If you decide that you want to be in this research study, this is what will happen to you:

1. Dr. Hobbs will ask you and one of your parents to collect some of your stool (poop, Number 2) in a special container and return it to us. This only takes a few minutes at home, but you will do it 3 times.
2. Some of the information that the school nurse collects on you - like your age, weight, height, blood count and lead levels- will be shared with Dr. Hobbs.
3. We will collect a drop of your blood on a piece of paper

Sometimes kids might feel embarrassed about collecting and dropping off a stool sample. We will give you a special bag for the container and have a special drop off spot to help make it not so embarrassing.

You don't have to be in this research study if you don't want to. Nobody will be mad at you if you say no. Even if you say yes now and change your mind after you start doing this study, you can stop and no one will be mad.

Be sure to ask Dr. Hobbs or the nurse to tell you more about anything that you don't understand.

Yes, I will be in this research study.

No, I don't want to do this.

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Write your name on this line

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Date

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