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Dear Sjögren's Patient:

Each day research and clinical trials are being conducted to unveil new medications, therapies and diagnostic tools for Sjögren's syndrome and its symptoms.

Listed below is information about a *Sjögren's clinical research study* research study being held in the Charlotte area. Your participation in this study may help with its success and I hope you will take a moment to consider it.

For more information and to see if you may be eligible to participate, please contact the trial coordinator. If you have questions regarding the project, please contact the number listed below and not the *Foundation Office*.

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Carolinas HealthCare System-NorthEast is looking for individuals between 18-65 years of age to participate in a research study testing the safety of a trial drug for patients with active Sjögren's Syndrome.

The study, "A Multiple Ascending Dose Study to Evaluate the Safety, Tolerability, Pharmacokinetics, and Pharmacodynamics of the Investigational Drug in Subjects with Sjögren's Syndrome," is taking place under the direction of (Principal Investigator) Dr. Gordon K. Lam, Medical Director, Northern Region Research Center (NorthEast Rheumatology), a part of the Carolinas HealthCare System-NorthEast (CMC-NE).

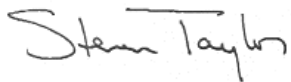
The study is 28 weeks long and involves traveling to Dr. Gordon Lam's office located at 200 Medical Park Drive, Concord, NC on the campus of CMC-NE at various times. It also involves undergoing physical exams, electrocardiograms (ECG), blood collection, urine samples, salivary flow testing, pregnancy tests (all at various times) and a chest x-ray (one time). You would be randomized to receive either (like the flip of a coin) the administration of the study drug or placebo.

The study drug and study procedures will be provided at no cost to you and you will be reimbursed for transportation expenses per study visit.

To find out if you qualify or for further information, call 704-403-2646.

On behalf of the millions of Sjögren's sufferers in this country, I thank you for taking time to learn more about this study.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first name.

Steven Taylor
Chief Executive Officer

Please Note: You received this notice because of your participation and/or interest in the Sjögren's Syndrome Foundation. The SSF sends this research notice for information only. It does not represent an endorsement of this study but only makes you aware of this research project for your participation if you choose.