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Are you interested in volunteering for a research study? If you are a girl who is 7 or older you may participate. You don't have to be a part of this research study. It's up to you and your parents to decide if you want to do it.

If you decide to be in the research study, this is what we will ask you to do:

- **Fill out a survey.** Some of the questions are easy, like "what color are your eyes?" Some questions are harder, and you might need some help to answer them. You can answer the survey at the doctor's office or at home. It takes about 45 minutes.
- **Collect saliva (*spit*) into a tube.** Believe it or not, doctors and scientists might be able to learn a lot from your saliva. For 5 mornings in a row, you will spit into a tube and freeze it. After filling all the tubes, you'll mail them back to the hospital.
- **Urinate (*pee*) in a cup.** We might also be able to learn something from your urine. You will give a urine sample either in the clinic or at home.

- If your doctor asked you to get blood drawn today, you can *choose* to have one extra tube of blood taken for our research team. We would do it at the same time, so there wouldn't be any extra needles. This is **OPTIONAL**.

To say thank you, we will give you a \$25 gift card to Target or to an online store for completing the surveys and providing saliva and urine samples. If you also decided to give blood for research, you will receive an additional \$10 gift card because it takes more time to give blood.

What are we trying to learn? We are trying to understand the factors that affect the health of girls and women. You would be helping us by giving us one piece of this huge jigsaw puzzle.

We will contact you and ask for your continued participation once per year. We will thank you with a gift card each time you participate.