Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Board

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to invite you to help with national medical research projects.

Researchers need your help to develop new treatments and vaccines.

SHARE - The Scottish Health Research Register and Biobank, is a register of people in Scotland who are willing to be contacted about new research, and their medical records can assist in selecting relevant projects which may interest them.

Health research can be anything from filling in a questionnaire about your diet and exercise regimen for example, to researching a new medication or clinical investigation for an illness you may have.

Alternatively, if you have no significant health problems you may be invited to take part in research which requires healthy people. SHARE aims to help people find research projects which are relevant to them but also helps researchers find the right people for studies.

Please sign up to SHARE today at www.registerforshare.org or use the QR code below.

If you prefer to speak with someone and wish to sign up over the telephone, please contact SHARE on telephone: 01382 383471.

SHARE will let you know about studies which may be relevant to you. If you are interested and want to know more, SHARE will let the researchers know. However, if after reading about the study you don't want to take part, you just say NO. You can choose which project, if any, you wish to take part in. There is no obligation and you can withdraw at any time.

In addition, SHARE also seeks your permission to keep any leftover blood following routine clinical testing. This leftover sample is anonymised and can help researchers to understand why some people respond to medications and others have side-effects. It can also help in the development of novel medications to tackle the growing need to treat a wide range of diseases such as COVID-19, Cancer, Diabetes, COPD and Asthma.

Please pass the information to friends and family, anyone over age 11 is eligible, and the parent's / guardian's details will be requested for 11 - 16-year-olds.

Thank you very much for considering this request and for your support of future health research in Scotland.

Yours faithfully,

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