

**Instructions for NIGMS HGCR blood sample collection and completing sample donation paperwork:**

1. **DO NOT REFRIGERATE THE BLOOD!!!** If the blood is refrigerated, the sample cannot be used. Please keep the sample at room temperature and ship at **room temperature** overnight delivery for receipt at Coriell Monday-Friday. We need a *minimum* of 4 milliliters of blood to establish cell lines. Blood is collected using yellow-top ACDA or purple-top EDTA tubes.
2. **Informed Consent Form** – Please complete all items on Page 4. The submitter information can be left blank, unless your or your child’s physician is a researcher. If he or she is a researcher, the physician may be listed as the submitter. This will entitle him/her to a free cell line or DNA sample in exchange for each sample submitted.
3. **Assent Form** – Children ages 7-17 may complete this form if intellectually capable.
4. **Submission Form** – Complete Pages 1-2 of the Submission Form. Leave Pages 3-4 blank, unless your/your child’s physician is a researcher. If he/she is a researcher, please have him/her complete Pages 3-4.

**Submitting Investigator** – If your/your child’s physician is a researcher, you may enter their information here.

**Diagnosis** – Enter the diagnosis of the affected individual on all family members’ Submission Forms.

**OMIM#** – Leave blank.

**Sample ID #** – Provide donor’s name here. All identifying information is removed and replaced with a number.

**Date of sample collection** – Enter date blood is drawn.

**Age at sample collection** – Enter donor’s current age.

**Gender, Race, Ethnicity, and Ancestry of the donor** – Complete all items.

**Source of clinical information** – The more clinical information you provide, the more valuable your sample(s) will be to the scientists who will be using them. If you have copies of genetic test reports or of any other test reports or physicians’ letters, please enclose them, as this information is especially valuable. If you have not been tested or if mutations have not been identified, we are still able to accept your sample(s).

**Family History** – If other family members have the same diagnosis as the affected individual, please explain who the other family members are and their relationship to the affected individual.

**Have samples been submitted by other family members?** Please mark “Yes” if more than one person from your family is donating a sample. In the box, indicate who else has submitted a sample in relation to the donor. For example: On your child’s Submission Form, indicate “mother and father” if both parents are also donating a sample.

**Literature References** – If your/your child’s case has been described in the medical literature, please provide the journal name, year of publication and first author name if known.

5. **Clinical Data Elements Form** – Please have your/your child’s physician or genetic counselor complete this form if possible, or complete as much as you know and attach copies of your/your child’s medical records.

Please contact Tara Schmidlen, MS, CGC at 856-757-4822 or [tschmidl@coriell.org](mailto:tschmidl@coriell.org) with questions.

**THANK YOU FOR DONATING A SAMPLE TO THE NIGMS REPOSITORY!**