

# HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED A SIGNIFICANT TRAUMATIC EVENT?

**Participants needed for a study to understand how genetic variation and immune responses relate to mental health after trauma.**

Involvement in the study includes surveys about your past history, mood, health, head injury, use of alcohol or other substances and collection of samples for immune markers and gut bacteria.

Initial participation in this study should take two hours or less, including a blood sample plus the donation of a stool sample at a later date.

Your participation is completely voluntary and your responses will be confidential.

You will be given \$40 for completing the two-hour study and \$60 for return of a stool sample.

Opportunity to be invited back for follow-up session(s) at 2 – 2.5 hours each, up to \$230 total compensation.

This document is available in alternative formats upon request. For assistance, call Disability Services at USD at: 605-677-6389 or e-mail [disabilityservices@usd.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@usd.edu).

You are eligible for this study if you are aged between 18 and 55 years, have experienced a traumatic life event, do not have any injuries or chronic physical illnesses, are not using blood thinners or glucocorticoids and are not pregnant.



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