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Name of Study: Study Of Fluoxetine in Autism (SOFIA)

Location: Institute for Juvenile Research, University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Psychiatry, 1747 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60608

Eligibility Criteria: Children and Adolescents with Autistic Disorder, ages 5 through 17 years

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Dear Parent,

I am writing this letter to offer your child an opportunity to participate in a research study at the University of Illinois at Chicago. The purpose of this study is to assess how an orally dissolving tablet of fluoxetine (Prozac) affects repetitive behaviors in children and adolescents with Autistic Disorder. The study will also look at how fluoxetine might improve other symptoms and daily life of the patient's family. We are recruiting children and adolescents with Autistic Disorder, ages 5 through 17 years.

This is a 14-week research study comparing the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medication and placebo (a fake pill) in children and adolescents who have been diagnosed with or have symptoms of autism. All evaluations and medications for this study are provided without cost to participants. In addition, families who participate will be reimbursed for their time. The risks and benefits of this study will be explained to you thoroughly before you agree to participate.

There is no charge to participate in the study.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Clare Tessman at (312) 996-6746 or dctess@uic.edu.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. We look forward working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

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