

Name of Study: Study of the effect of Fluoxetine on Repetitive Behaviors in Child and Adolescents with Autistic Disorder

Location: Fay J. Lindner Center for Autism and Developmental Disorders, North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System, 4300 Hempstead Turnpike, Bethpage, New York 11714

Eligibility Criteria: Males and Females between age 5 and 17. The child must meet diagnostic criteria for Autistic Disorder (Other Diagnoses on the spectrum are not eligible) and also demonstrate repetitive and/or obsessive compulsive behaviors. There are some exclusions relating to other medical conditions, health issues etc. Please contact us directly for any questions regarding exclusions. Also, we are looking for families who are willing to drive to our site in Bethpage, NY and can comply with the visit structure listed below.

Principal Investigator: Dr. Joel Bregman

Contact Information: Linda Spritzer, Research Assistant, phone: (516) 802-8608

Dear Parent,

I am writing this letter to offer your child an opportunity to participate in a research study at the Fay J. Lindner Center for Autism. The study will help us evaluate the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of an investigational medication in the treatment of children and adolescents (ages 5-17) with a diagnosis of Autistic Disorder. Children who have other diagnoses on the spectrum, are taking other medications for behavior or have certain health and medical conditions are not eligible. Please contact us if you are concerned about your child's eligibility and we will discuss the matter directly.

If found eligible your child will enter a 14-week double blind trial phase (we will not know which medication your child is taking) during which you will be responsible for attending 7 visits to our clinic with your child. Your child has a 1:1 chance of being placed on a placebo; after the double blind phase, your child has the opportunity of entering an open label trial of the study medication (we will know the dose of medication your child is taking).

There is no charge to participate in the study. There is reimbursement for time and travel.

If you are interested in learning more information about participating in this study, please contact our Research Assistant Linda Spritzer at (516)802-8608.

Sincerely,

*Dr. Joel Bregman, M.D., Medical Director, and research staff
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