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The NJCTS Sharing Repository is calling all TS families!

On Jan. 26-27, Dr. Robert King of Yale University will interview those interested in participating in the National Institute of Mental Health NJCTS Genetics Sharing Program at Rutgers University

Studies suggest that Tourette Syndrome has a strong inherited component. Through the Rutgers University Department of Genetics, the New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome & Associated Disorders (NJCTS) is conducting an ongoing genetic study of TS. The ultimate goal of this study is to identify genetic (inherited) factors that play a role in causing TS and related disorders such as Chronic Tics (CT), Obsessive-Compulsive disorder (OCD) and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

The National Institute of Mental Health NJCTS Genetics Sharing Program at Rutgers University, the world's first such program, incorporates clinical and genetic data that can be accessed by qualified researchers -- such as Dr. Robert King, a professor of child psychiatry at Yale University Medical School.

Dr. King, who also is the medical director of the TS/OCD Clinic at the Yale University Child Study Center, will interview families interested in participating in this genetics sharing program on **Thursday and Friday, Jan. 26 and 27**, at the NJCTS Sharing Repository. NJCTS urges anyone connected to Tourette Syndrome to become part of this ground-breaking research and help in finding the cause and cure for TS.

Please note: This program originally was scheduled for Jan. 25 and 26. For more information, or to schedule an appointment with Dr. King, please e-mail the repository at familystudy@biology.rutgers.edu. More information also is available by calling NJCTS at 908-575-7350, by visiting www.njcts.org or by visiting www.facebook.com/TouretteSyndrome.

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