

ASSENT DOCUMENT

Project Title: **Comprehensive genetic analysis of congenital and developmental abnormalities of the genitourinary (GU) tract.**

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We are doing a research study. A research study is a special way to find out about something. We are trying to find out why some babies are being born without their kidneys (a birth defect).

If you decide that you want to be in this study, this is what will happen. You and your parents will visit your doctor. Your doctor or a nurse will take a small sample of blood from you. This involves getting poked with a needle. You will only have to do this once for this project. Your doctor will send us the blood sample and we will analyze it to help us find the causes of this birth defect.

We want to tell you about some things that might hurt or upset you if you are in this study. It may bother you to have to visit your doctor or to have a blood sample taken from you. But, your doctors and nurses will take good care to minimize this discomfort. When you have a blood sample taken, your doctor will have to poke your arm with a needle. This may hurt slightly - like a pinch. Afterwards, your arm where they 'poked' you may be a little red and sore for the rest of the day. Your arm should be just fine by the next day.

We don't know if being in this research study will help you. But we hope to learn something that will help other people some day.

When we are done with the study, we will write a report about what we found out. We won't use your name in the report.

You don't have to be in this study. It's up to you. If you say okay now, but you change your mind later, that's okay too. All you have to do is tell us.

If you want to be in this study, please sign or print your name.

I, _____, want to be in this research study.
(Child's name)

(Sign or print your name here)

(Date)