7 years and under

Information leaflet for parents/guardians to share with children

Parent/Guardian

It is your decision whether to read the information in this leaflet to your child. If you decide to do so, please choose the most appropriate words to use where you see ** throughout the leaflet.

Hello!

We would like to ask the person(s) who look after you if we could take a little bit of your tumour/lump/bone marrow^{**} and some extra blood when the doctors take some for your tests.

We will keep these safely in our B iobank and use them to try and find new ways to get children who are poorly like you, better.



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What is a Biobank?

A Biobank is a bit like a 'piggy bank', but we keep little bits of blood and/or tumour/lump/bone marrow** instead of money.

Scientists can ask us for some of these so they can try to find out why children get poorly and how to make better medicines.

Why are you asking me?

We are asking all children with the same illness as you.

What are you asking me to consider?

We will ask the person(s) who look after you to sign a form to say that you will give some samples to us. When you have tests done, if there is a little bit left over, it will be sent to us.



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We would also like your doctor or nurse to tell us about your illness and your medicines.

Who will look after my samples?

The Biobank will look after your samples very carefully until they can be used.

Why do you need to ask the doctors and nurses about me?

We need to know about your illness, your medicine and when you get better.

Will the information about me be kept secret?

We will put a number on your samples so that your name is secret.



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What do I do now?

The person(s) who look after you will talk to you about giving some samples. The doctors and nurses would also be happy to help you if you would like to talk to them. If you don't want to give your samples, just tell us, it is okay.

What if I change my mind?

If you change your mind, you can tell the person(s) who look after you and they can let us know and we will stop using your samples.

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