



## Will my information be kept confidential?

**YES!**

We are required by state and federal laws to protect your information and keep it confidential. All information will be used *only* for the research you choose to participate in. Your information will be kept in locked file cabinets or computer files that are encrypted and password protected. No one outside the study will have access to your information without your consent. In all studies, participants will be identified by randomly assigned numbers, which only the registry and researchers can associate with your name.

### Want to know more?

[www.nj.gov/health/ces/cancer-researchers/specialstudies.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/health/ces/cancer-researchers/specialstudies.shtml)



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# Cancer Research



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

*NJSCR Cancer Research Program:  
"Making a difference together"*

## How did you get my name?

By law, doctors' offices, hospitals, and labs are required to report a cancer diagnosis to the New Jersey State Cancer Registry (NJSCR), located at the New Jersey Department of Health.

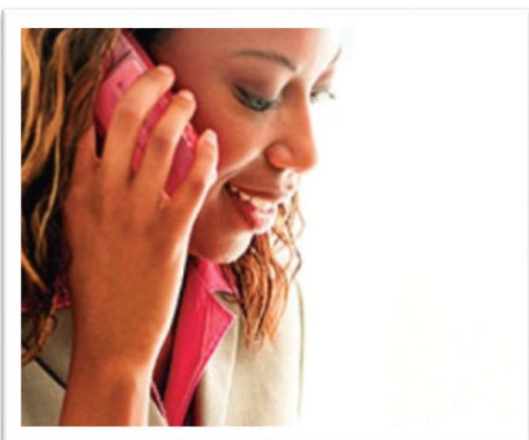
This program is dedicated to keeping track of all occurrences of cancer in NJ.

## How is my information used?

**Your information helps the people of New Jersey and around the country in many ways.**

The NJSCR allows researchers and public health professionals to:

- Identify factors related to cancer causes and prevention
- Educate the public about cancer
- Watch for cancer trends in the state
- Plan services and resources for people with cancer
- Share and compare cancer trends with other state cancer registries and public health agencies across the U.S.



*"I was happy to participate in your study. I feel like I'm making a difference."*

*-Participant, MY-Health Study*

## How can I participate?

You can provide voluntary informed consent to be a study participant and may withdraw consent at any time. A researcher will contact you through mail and by telephone.

*You may be asked to participate in one of the following types of activities:*

- Complete a survey about your experience
- Participate in a telephone or in-person interview at your convenience
- Submit a biological sample, such as saliva
- Allow us to study the cancer tissue that was removed from you by biopsy or during surgery

## Research is important so we can learn...

- Why some people get cancer and others do not
- Whether dietary, physical activity, or medical factors cause cancer or affect quality of life after cancer treatment
- Whether some cancer treatment options work better than others

*"I know participating in this study personally will not help me, but hopefully will help others, including my family members, in the future."*

*-Participant, Women's Circle of Health Study*

## Participants needed

