



FASTEST

Online Opt-Out CARD Request

FASTEST is a research study involving patients who have had bleeding in the brain also called intracerebral hemorrhage or ICH. ICH occurs because a weakened blood vessel in the brain breaks and the bleeding accumulates in the brain. Most of this bleeding occurs within a few hours of onset of symptoms. The brain injury from ICH is usually very severe and over 40% of people with ICH are dead within a month and only 20% can independently care for themselves at 6 months. There is currently no treatment for ICH that is scientifically proven to improve outcome.

Because of the severity of the brain injury, patients with ICH are usually very poorly responsive and cannot tell physicians whether or not they would want to participate in a study.

The FASTEST study is being done to determine if recombinant Factor VIIa (rFVIIa), a protein that our body makes to stop bleeding at a site of injury to a blood vessel, can slow bleeding in the brain and improve outcome.

Patients usually must consent to be in a medical study. The patients in this study may not be unable to consent for themselves. If legal authorized representative or family member is present, they will be asked about your participation.

If you do not wish to be enrolled into the FASTEST research study you can carry an “opt out card” at all times during the study enrollment period (approximately 3 ½ years beginning Nov 2020. Emergency teams and hospital staff will look for this card, the researchers will know not to enroll you in this study if they locate this card. If you would like a card, please contact the study team, complete this form and mail it to the study team or you may go to the website listed below to print you own card. You must provide your name and mailing address if you wish a card to be mailed to you. You may want to let your family know of your wishes to NOT participate in this study.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address:

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Reason for opt-out request (optional)

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If you learned about FASTEST from a site that is enrolling or plans to enroll please provide the hospital name: \_\_\_\_\_

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