

Shirley Ryan AbilityLab

Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders

Research Trials and Studies



Study Name: Clinical Research Registry (CRR)

Looking for: Individuals diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, movement disorders, and healthy controls.

Brief Description: The purpose of this research study is to include individuals in the Shirley Ryan Ability Lab's participant registry. The registry will provide a controlled list from which researchers at Shirley Ryan Ability Lab and Northwestern University (NU), Department of Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences or Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation may identify potential participants for current and/or future studies. Click this link to learn more and register: <https://www.sralab.org/clinical-trials/clinical-research-registry>

Principal Investigator: Monica Perez, PT, PhD (In collaboration with Miriam Rafferty, PT, DPT, PhD)

Study Contact: Carolyn Ostrowski (costrowski@sralab.org), 312-238-2892

Name: Home Health Experience Working with People with Parkinson's disease

Looking for: People with a diagnosis of Parkinson's disease and have received home health care services in the last three years.

Brief Description: With support from the Parkinson's Foundation, we're talking with people with Parkinson's disease (PD) who have received home health care, their care partners, and the home health physical therapists who have played a role in their care. We are organizing small focus group discussions to understand the barriers and facilitators of evidence-based quality care to those with PD. If interested in participating, please click the link: https://uiwtxu.wisc.edu/qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6gHb4fwdS16jtt4.

Principal Investigator: Patti Berg-Poppe, MT, MPT, PhD (In collaboration with Miriam Rafferty, PT, DPT, PhD)

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Study Name: Rehabilitation Technologies and Outcomes Research Database

Looking for: People with PD or people with a history of Stroke or people with lower-limb amputations or healthy controls (age 18-90).

Brief Description: The purpose of this study is to develop a database that contains movement and rehabilitation-related data collected through use of wearable sensors and video, serving as a resource for clinicians and researchers. Participant involvement currently includes a single visit (duration up to 4 hours), performing various gait, movement, and clinical assessments while wearing sensors and being video recorded.

Principal Investigator: Arun Jayarman, PT, PhD

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Study Name: Electrical stimulation to reduce tremor

Looking for: People with ET (essential tremor); Age 18-80 years.

Brief Description: Electrical stimulation - for example with a wrist-worn bracelet - has recently emerged as a promising technique for reducing tremors. This study aims to identify the neural pathways activated with this technique to improve its efficiency. Please see this link for a study flyer: <http://bit.ly/Pons-Tremor-PD-ET-Flyer>

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