VMRA Bipolar Disorder Research Study

The Veterans Medical Research Foundation, along with UCSD and the VA Medical Center, is conducting research on how the brain changes as we age, comparing people who have been diagnosed with Bipolar I disorder to those who have not.

We are looking for patients with Bipolar Disorder to participate in our study. You will receive **\$160 for 7 hours** of your time (spread out over two appointments), including a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) brain scan, clinical assessments, memory activities, and a blood draw. Appointments are available on weekdays, evenings, and weekends.

You may be eligible if you...

- \Box have been diagnosed with Bipolar I Disorder,
- \Box are between ages 30 and 79,
- \Box have been on a stable dose of medication for 6+ weeks,
- \Box experienced your first episode between ages 13 and 30,
- \Box are right-handed,
- \Box are a native speaker of English, and
- □ do not have uncontrolled diabetes or high blood pressure.

If interested, please contact:

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