

## The Centre for Brain and Mind

Mental illness includes well-recognized conditions such as schizophrenia, dementia, bipolar, obsessive-compulsive & addiction disorders. Changes in the structure and function of the brain that result in mental illness are poorly understood. We do not understand why some individuals are more prone to developing mental illness than others. Understanding these underlying changes in the brain will likely lead to better methods to diagnose and treat mental illness.

The Centre for Brain and Mind (CBM) is a scientific venture to understand mental illness by harnessing the power of sophisticated clinical investigations, modern human genetics, and stem cell technology. CBM is under the joint stewardship of National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) and the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences. All data collection for the Centre happens at the state-of-the-art facilities of NIMHANS by a team of mental health professionals.

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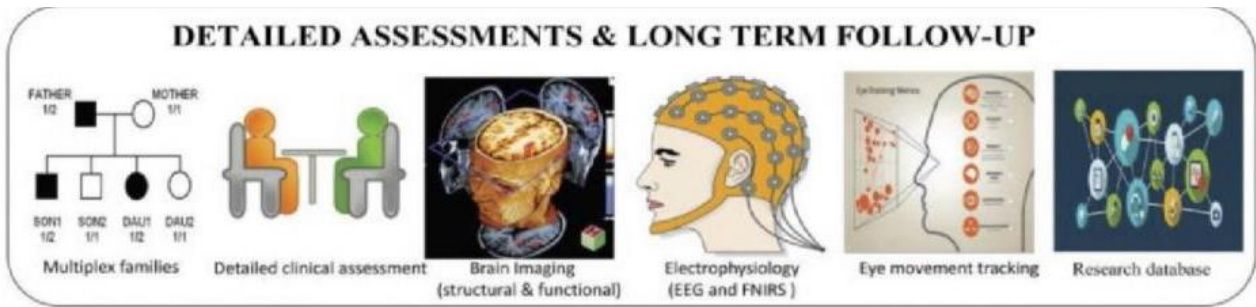
## Who can participate?

If you are a patient, caregiver, relative or a member of the public wanting to contribute to scientific research on mental health biology, you are welcome to get involved with CBM, as your participation could benefit society greatly.

## What will happen to me if I take part?

After an information session and providing informed consent, you will be asked to visit the hospital for assessments and to donate a sample of blood for research purposes.

You will be compensated for your participation, including travel and food.



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The national cell repository for neuropsychiatric illness assures that information provided during an interview will be strictly confidential. Numerous physical, electronic and training safeguards have been put in place across data collection sites to prevent breach of confidentiality.

**Whom should I contact if I need more information about participating in CBM?**

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