

## Eligibility – Dr. Naomi Allen

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Hi, I'm Naomi Allen, and I am the Senior Epidemiologist at UK Biobank. I help other scientists make best use of the resource as well as doing my own research into cancer. You have been invited to take part in the next phase of the project, the imaging study, because you live within reasonable travelling distance of the imaging assessment centre in Stockport. This invitation is not based on any medical information that has already been collected about you by UK Biobank so far.

If you wish to take part in this project, and I hope that you will, the next step will be to call the UK Biobank Participant Resource Centre on the 0800 number found on this website and in the invitation email you've received. Staff at the centre will be able to book you an appointment at a time that is convenient for you. The imaging assessment will take about 4 hours to complete, so there will be food and drink available and the environment will be quiet and relaxed.

When you call us, we will ask a series of questions to ensure that you are eligible to be scanned. While all of these scans are safe and painless, some medical conditions can interfere with the scanning procedure and may mean that you are unable to take part. For example, because the MRI scans involve the use of a magnet, you will not be able to take part if you have any metal or electrical implant, or if you've had an accident where metal may have entered your body. You also won't be able to take part if you've had surgery in the six weeks before your visit or if you have medical problems that make it difficult to conduct the scans, such as severe hearing or breathing problems.

When you arrive at the imaging assessment centre, we will ask you the same questions again so that we can be sure nothing has changed and that you are still able to take part. We will then ask for your written consent to participate as we did



when you came for the original assessment. We will cover travel expenses, and those of a companion if you have a disability. If you anticipate any problems with attending, please get in touch as we may be able to help.

I hope you have found the information on this website useful and interesting and please do get in touch if you have any further questions.