

VPS Study – Participant Facing Video

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Video Transcript:

The VPS Study is a research study looking at two common antibiotic combinations and how they affect kidney health. When people are very sick, doctors often give strong antibiotics through an IV. Two antibiotic combinations often used in IV treatment are VPT—vancomycin plus piperacillin/tazobactam, and VM—vancomycin plus meropenem. The study's goal is to learn whether treatment with VPT is as safe for kidney health as VM. Doctors use these treatments every day to help fight serious infections. The decision to join will be made by you, or by a family member or caregiver if you are unable. If you join the study, you will be placed by chance, like a coin flip, into one of two groups. One group receives VPT. And the other receives VM. You will take your assigned antibiotic combination for up to 7 days. Neither you nor your doctor will know which one it is. Throughout the study, your doctor will decide whether to continue antibiotics and for how long, based on what they believe is best for you. You will give blood and urine samples while in the hospital, often during your regular care, and again at a 3-month clinic visit. You will also complete short surveys about your health. Joining the study is up to you. Joining will not change how long you stay in the hospital. If you join, you will receive \$200 after completing all study activities. You are free to leave the study at any time. Leaving will not change your level of care. You might not see a direct benefit, but what we learn from this study may help doctors choose the best antibiotics for future patients.