Do you have patients who have proteinuria and may have nephrotic syndrome?

A kidney biopsy is needed to diagnose if the cause of nephrotic syndrome is:
- focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS)
- minimal change disease (MCD)
- membranous nephropathy (MN)

NEPTUNE researchers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) are seeking patients who need a kidney biopsy to join NEPTUNE.

Eligible participants:
- Are 18 or older
- Have proteinuria
- Need a kidney biopsy to determine the cause of their proteinuria

What is involved?
- A review of the patient’s medical records and a screening visit to determine their eligibility for the study.
- A kidney biopsy at the study site.
- Study visits every 4 months during the first year and then every 6 months for the following 2 years.
- Clinical information will be shared with the patient’s referring provider.
- Patients will continue to receive care for their kidney disease from their community provider.
- There is no cost for study-related tests or procedures.
- Compensation for study visits will be provided.

*Screening and study visits are at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, MD or at a NEPTUNE satellite site, whichever is closer.

For more information, please call:

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NEPTUNE is an integrated group of academic medical centers, patient support organizations, and clinical resources dedicated to improving the diagnosis and management of individuals with nephrotic syndrome.