

Our research involves generally – healthy women who are greater than 5 months (20 weeks) pregnant with a fetal diagnosis of congenital heart disease (a birth defect of the heart). The goal is to find out if there is any association between a mother's exposure to certain viruses and her baby developing Congenital Heart disease (CHD).



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# **COX B & Pregnancy Study**

**For moms whose babies are  
affected by Congenital Heart  
Disease (CHD groups)**



## What is involved in the study?

Study requires only one visit- which consists of review of consent, blood draw, nose swab, rectal swab or stool collection and a health history questionnaire. This visit will take about 30 minutes. You will be compensated \$15.00 after study completion.



## Study Title: Coxsackievirus B and the Pathogenesis of Congenital Heart Disease

### Why is the study being done?

The Cox B study is to investigate the effects of certain viral exposures before and during pregnancy. Samples obtained from this study might be used to develop new tests, treatments or cures for babies/children with congenital heart defects. Although, there may be no direct benefit to you, we hope that this study will benefit other babies/ children with heart defects in the future.

## Who is eligible?

You may be eligible for the Cox B study if:

- Must be able to give consent & authorization for health record release
- If you are greater than 18 years of age
- Have a single baby pregnancy
- Have no more than 3 extra cardiac defects (beyond the heart defect)
- Have not used fertility treatments for this pregnancy