

## PEOPLE WITH LUPUS & THEIR SPOUSES NEEDED FOR RESEARCH

**We need your help to identify the factors that make managing lupus easier, and to help us accomplish our goal of developing better ways to assist couples manage this condition.**



### WHAT WILL PARTICIPATION INVOLVE?

You and/or your spouse will be asked to:

- ❖ Participate in a group discussion via the phone or face-to-face with other people who have lupus or their spouses. We will ask you to share your experiences about how you manage the condition. If you both participate you will be in different groups. Each group will last 90 minutes.
- ❖ Complete a 2-page background questionnaire.

### WHO IS CONDUCTING THIS RESEARCH?

Dr. Megan Lewis, Senior Research Scientist at RTI International. RTI is a non-profit research organization. This research is funded by the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases which is part of the National Institutes of Health.

### DO YOU QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY?

You qualify if you are:

- ❖ Married or partnered, and you have lupus, or
- ❖ You are married or partnered to someone who has lupus.

### WILL THERE BE COMPENSATION?

Yes! We realize that your time and effort are valuable. In return for participation, we will reimburse each participant **\$25**.

Help us develop strategies that will aid families coping with lupus symptoms!  
If you and/or your spouse would like to learn more about this study, or you are ready to participate,  
Give us a call or send an email!

### FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PARTICIPATE, CONTACT:

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