

# The National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center

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Dear Legal Next of Kin,

You have already authorized the National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center to perform a brain only autopsy on your loved one. The Center has instituted two additional **research only programs** (results will not be released) to aid in diagnosing prion disease.

This form is to authorize the following additional procedures:

- **Skin Sample Collection** (The combined size of the samples are able to fit in the average male's 5<sup>th</sup> finger fingernail):
  - ⑤ Apex (top of the scalp)
  - ⑤ Posterior to ear (right or left)
  - ⑤ Lumbar Spine (lower back)
  - ⑤ **I DO NOT AUTHORIZE**
- **Lymphoreticular Tissue Collection:**
  - ⑤ Appendix
  - ⑤ Parietal & Visceral Lymph Nodes (abdominal lymph nodes)
  - ⑤ Spleen (upper left quadrant of abdomen)
  - ⑤ **I DO NOT AUTHORIZE**

<b>LEAGL NEXT OF KIN NAME (PRINT):</b>	
<b>LEGAL NEXT OF KIN SIGNATURE:</b>	
<b>DATE (MM/DD/YEAR)</b>	
<b>RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED:</b>	

The samples will be stored at the following address:

**National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center**  
**2085 Adelbert Road**  
**Cleveland, Ohio 44106 Phone:**  
**216-368-0587**