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1. VA LOGO over WHITE GRAPHIC BG
2. ORCA LOGO over WHITE GRAPHIC BG

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3. A- F. Multi-layered MONTAGE of VETERANS participating in research/clinical studies.
This appears over a colored, moving GRAPHIC BG

TITLES IN: *I'm a veteran. Should I participate in research?*

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4. MONTAGE that includes exterior shots of VA HOSPITAL and DEPT. OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, STOCK FOOTAGE of PEOPLE using MEDICAL DEVICES that resulted from other studies, and scenes of VETERANS taking MEDICATIONS and/or meeting with DOCTORS, TONY CONNER REVIEWING IMAGES on COMPUTER SCREEN, etc.
NARRATOR: ...The Department of Veterans Affairs is one of our nation's leaders in health research, with thousands of studies being conducted at VA medical facilities each year.

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5. MONTAGE of PEOPLE taking MEDICATIONS, LAB TECHS working on COMPUTERS, RESEARCHERS using MICROSCOPES and performing TESTS in the LAB BENCH AREA (Basement locations: GE243, GE231)

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NARRATOR: ...These efforts have contributed significantly to health improvements for thousands of veterans and others.

6. INT-X-RAY READING ROOM (Basement: GD-201) MS OTS of PHYSICIAN #1 reading an XRAY

NARRATOR:...None of the advances in health care would be possible...

7. INT-EXAM ROOM G NURSE #5 gives VET #8 his MEDS

NARRATOR:...without individuals who volunteer to take part in research studies.

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8. INT-EXAM ROOM D (Second Floor: 2C207) MWS of NURSE #1 counseling VETERAN #1

NARRATOR:...There are many reasons to volunteer.

9. MCU of VETERAN #1

NARRATOR: ...To help you make the right decision,

10. MCU of NURSE #1

NARRATOR:...you need to understand some of the basic requirements for good research...

11. ANOTHER WS of NURSE #1 and MALE VETERAN #1 as they talk

NARRATOR:...and your rights as a research study participant.

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12. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *What is a research study?*

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13. INT-CELL PHYSIOLOGY LAB (Basement: GD243 -- Data Analysis Area) WS of BEN GAO working on a COMPUTER

NARRATOR: ...A research study is an organized activity...

14. MCU of BEN as he works

NARRATOR: ...that helps health professionals learn more about a problem,

15. MCU of BEN'S COMPUTER SCREEN

NARRATOR: ...or answer questions.

16. STOCK FOOTAGE of MALE DOCTOR talking to OLDER MALE VETERAN, who's in a HOSPITAL BED

NARRATOR: ...The VA conducts many different kinds of studies.

17. INT-PT/OT AREA (First Floor? Basement?) MWS of TECHNICIAN #1 and PHYSICIAN #2 putting MALE VETERAN #2 through the paces on a TREADMILL

NARRATOR: ...Some help determine what health care practices work best.

18. INT-RESEARCH PHARMACY (First Floor: Pharmacy) MS of BINDU as she fills a PRESCRIPTION

NARRATOR: ...Others identify the best way to treat or prevent an illness.

19. INT-RAYE ANNE DORN'S OFFICE (Second floor: 2CN133) MS of NURSE #2 talking to MALE VETERAN #3 while filling out a SURVEY

NARRATOR: ...A research study may use a survey or an interview to gather information.

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20. STOCK FOOTAGE of PILLS

NARRATOR: ...Clinical trials help determine whether medicines...

21. INT-VA HOSPITAL PROSTHETICS OFFICE (Location: needs to be confirmed) TILT DOWN TO MS of TECHNICIAN # 2 working with a PROSETHIC DEVICE

NARRATOR: ...new therapies or new devices are safe and effective.

22. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1 (Basement: GE 237) MWS of MIN FU TSAN reviewing PAPERS

NARRATOR: ...No matter what kind of study it is, all are carefully designed and monitored.

23. B-ROLL of FUN ELDERLY COUPLE taking a walk, shopping, or doing something else fun and active (good quality of life)

NARRATOR: ...As a result, the information provided may help thousands of Americans lead healthier lives.

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24. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *Why volunteer for a study?*

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25. STOCK FOOTAGE of A FEMALE PATIENT talking to a MALE DOCTOR. She is in a HOSPITAL BED

NARRATOR: ...Veterans participate in research studies for a variety of reasons.

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26. INT-EXAM ROOM E (Second Floor: 2C209) MS of NURSE #3 taking VETERAN #4'S BLOOD PRESSURE. HE'S in a WHEELCHAIR.

NARRATOR:...Some want to help discover a cure for an illness.

27. INT-ONCOLOGY EXAM ROOM 6 (Second Floor: 2CN117) NURSE #4 is administering CHEMO to VETERAN #5

NARRATOR:...Others hope the study will find a better treatment for a condition that they have themselves.

28. STOCK FOOTAGE of KEVIN BARNES filling out a FORM at the KITCHEN TABLE

NARRATOR:...Even if the study does not benefit you, your efforts – and those of veterans like you -- may result in others being helped in the future.

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29. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *Are there risks to being in a research study?*

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30. INT-LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM (Second Floor: 2C South) MONTAGE of the IRB meeting, from a variety of angles and focal lengths

NARRATOR: ...Sometimes, research procedures and drugs cause discomfort and produce side effects.

31. INT-LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM (Second Floor: 2C South) MONTAGE of the IRB meeting, from a variety of angles and focal lengths

NARRATOR: ...That's why an Institutional Review Board, or "IRB," which is made up of scientists and people like you, ensures that all human research is well-planned and ethical before the study is approved – and veterans are asked to participate.

NARRATOR:...The IRB also monitors the safety of every on-going study, to protect participants.

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32. INT-DR. FINKELSTEIN'S OFFICE (First floor: 1D129D) MWS of an ELDERLY BLACK COUPLE meeting with RESEARCHER #3. This is Vet #11 and Wife #2.

NARRATOR:...Before you choose to volunteer,

33. MS of RESEARCHER #3 talking to the COUPLE

NARRATOR:...a Research Staff Member will let you know of the risks and benefits associated with the study.

34. MS of the Vet #11/ELDERLY MAN

NARRATOR:...If you choose to become a participant, you will continue to be informed...

35. ANOTHER ANGLE of the THREE PEOPLE as they continue to meet

NARRATOR:...of any risks or benefits that are discovered during the study.

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36. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *Questions to ask before agreeing to participate in a study*

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37. INT-WAITING & RECEPTION ROOM (Second Floor: 2C201) WS of TECHNICIAN # 3 with MALE VETERAN #6. They are discussing the ORCA BOOKLET

NARRATOR: ...Before you decide to volunteer in a research study, you need to know as much as possible about it.

38. MS of VETERAN #6 opening up the BOOKLET to the CENTER SECTION

NARRATOR:... If you are asked to participate and have any concerns, be sure to ask questions.

39. MS of BOOKLET in his HAND

NARRATOR:...The Department of Veterans Affairs has a booklet that lists some of the questions you may want to ask before making your decision.

40. ECU of QUESTIONS in the BOOKLET

NARRATOR:...These include questions like, 'how long will the study last?' and 'what will happen to me at the end of the study?'

41. LOW ANGLE MS of VETERAN #6 asking a question

NARRATOR:...While all the questions in the brochure may not apply to you, it's a good place to start.

42. MWS of TECHNICIAN #3 answering VETERAN #6's question

NARRATOR:...If you ask a question and don't understand the answer, ask again.

43. INT-WAITING & RECEPTION ROOM (Second Floor: 2C201) ANOTHER ANGLE WS of BOTH PEOPLE

NARRATOR: ...Remember: your decision to participate in a study should never be made until all of your questions have been answered.

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44. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *What is informed consent?*

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45. INT-SECOND FLOOR WAITING ROOM MCU of VETERAN #7 reading the INFORMED CONSENT INFORMATION

NARRATOR: ...Informed consent involves learning the key facts about a research study...

46. ANOTHER ANGLE as VETERAN #7 signs the FORM

NARRATOR:...before you decide whether or not to volunteer.

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47. INT-GAMMA CAMERA ROOM (Basement: GD-204) MWS of TONY CONNER and MALE VETERAN #7 who is lying on the GAMMA CAMERA TABLE

NARRATOR:...Your participation should be based on a clear understanding of what will take place in the study, and how it might affect you.

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48. INT-DAN DAY'S OFFICE (Second Floor: 2C211) WS of DAN DAY talking to VETERAN #8

NARRATOR:...Informed consent begins when the staff explains the facts about the research study.

49. INT-DAN DAY'S OFFICE MS of DAN placing the INFORMED CONSENT FORM on the TABLE for VETERAN #8 to sign

NARRATOR: ...If you decide to participate, you will be asked to read, and then sign, an informed consent form.

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50. SLOW ZOOM IN ON INFORMED CONSENT FORM

NARRATOR:...This form includes details about the study, test or procedures you may receive...

51. MS of VETERAN #8 reading the FORM

NARRATOR:...the benefits and risks that could result, and your rights as a research volunteer.

52. WS of VETERAN #8 asking DAN a question

NARRATOR:...If you don't understand something in the form, ask the staff to explain it to you.

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53. INT-FAMILY ROOM MS of VETERAN #8 talking with his WIFE

NARRATOR:...You may take the form home with you and discuss it with family and friends before making your decision.

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54. INT-EXAM ROOM G (Second Floor: 2C208) MWS of NURSE #5 talking with VETERAN #9

NARRATOR:...Remember: Informed consent is more than a piece of paper. It is a process that goes on throughout the study.

55. INT-EXAM ROOM G (Second Floor: 2C208) MS of NURSE #5 meeting with VETERAN #9

NARRATOR: ...It means that during the course of the study, you'll be kept informed of new findings, benefits or risks.

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56. MS of VETERAN #9 talking to NURSE #5

NARRATOR:...At that time, you can decide whether you want to continue your participation in the study.

57. DELETED SCENE DELETED

58. MS of VETERAN #9 thanking NURSE #5 and shaking hands with her

NARRATOR:...You're also acknowledging your right to change your mind – and leave the study at any time, without losing any of your VA health or other benefits.

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59. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *Who will see my records?*

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60. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1 (Basement: GE237) MWS of MIN FU TSAN reviewing data on a COMPUTER SCREEN

NARRATOR: ...Release of information from you research record...

61. CU of COMPUTER SCREEN

NARRATOR:...is limited by laws and policies.

62. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1 MCU of MIN FU TSAN reviewing DATA on his COMPUTER

NARRATOR: ...It may only be given to people on a “need-to-know” basis.

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63. INT-CELL CULTURE LAB (Basement: GE220) MS of TECHNICIAN #4 peering into a MICROSCOPE HIS DESK

NARRATOR:...This includes the researchers who are involved in the study...

64. INT-DR. FINKELSTEIN'S OFFICE (First Floor: 1D129D) FRONT ANGLE MS of DRUG COMPANY EMPLOYEE (in a suit) reading RESEARCH STUDY RESULTS at

NARRATOR:...the company or group funding it...

65. INT-ANNA ALT-WHITE'S OFFICE (Basement: GE223 - Anna's office) MS of ANNA and JOAN discussing data results

NARRATOR:...and those who make sure the study is safe – and carried out the way it was planned.

66. ANOTHER ANGLE of SAME

NARRATOR:...These restrictions help the VA make sure that your rights and welfare are protected at every stage of the study.

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67. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE SUPER: *What if I do not want to take part in a research study?*

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68. INT-PATIENT ROOM (Second floor: 2D126/other private room) MWS of PHYSICIAN #3 talking to VETERAN #10

NARRATOR: ...If anyone asks you to participate in a research study, you have the right to say "no."

69. MS of VETERAN #10 ...Remember: your decision will not affect your VA health care or benefits.

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70. DELETED SCENE

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71. INT-RESEARCHER #2 OFFICE (Basement: GE234 – Wet office) MWS of VETERAN #10 asking questions of RESEARCHER #4

NARRATOR:...If you do choose to volunteer for the study, be sure to ask questions – and weigh both the risks and the benefits carefully.

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72. INT-SWING SPACE PATIENT ROOM (Second Floor: 2D204) MWS of VETERAN #10 as he talks with PHYSICIAN #4 and they shake hands

NARRATOR:...Taking these steps will help you decide if volunteering to participate in a research study is the right decision for you.

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