The Kennedy Krieger Institute, as part of the FSHD-Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Cooperative Research Center, is recruiting volunteers with FSHD and their family members for a clinical research study. Volunteers will be asked to provide blood and muscle or skin samples to be reposited in a research core facility. Samples of blood, muscle, and skin samples will then be sent to multiple investigators for studies including gene and protein expression analysis and immortalization of muscle cells. Although there is no direct benefit to the volunteer, the samples are anticipated to be a great asset in multiple studies within the FSHD-Wellstone and the larger FSHD research community. Volunteers will be reimbursed for travel and lodging costs associated with the study.

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