



make knowledge
hereditary

For decades, the hemophilia community has worked together towards a brighter future... for our families, and for the next generation. Now the time has come for us to pass on something powerful: knowledge.

My Life, Our Future is a nationwide campaign for progress in hemophilia. Leaders in our community have come together to offer genotyping at no or very low cost, so that you may gain a deeper understanding of your hemophilia today, while helping to advance the breakthrough treatments of tomorrow.

a quick test, a lifetime of information

What is genotyping?

Genotyping is the process of identifying the genetic code responsible for an individual's hemophilia. Much like a fingerprint, your genotype can provide meaningful information about your hemophilia to you and your doctor. The process begins with a simple blood test, and results in personalized knowledge.

Genotyping is the key to unlocking hemophilia. It has the power to:

- *Predict bleeding severity*
- *Help determine inhibitor risk*
- *Identify potential carriers in your family*
- *Aid in family planning and pregnancy care*
- *Serve as a critical roadmap to greater scientific understanding and new treatment approaches*

How can I learn about my genotype?

The process is simple. In 2013, Hemophilia Treatment Centers (HTCs) across the country will offer this service through a quick blood test. The treatment center will send a small blood sample to a specialized hemophilia laboratory with expertise in genetic analysis. You and your doctor will then receive a report to support your care, as you would with any other laboratory test. You may also choose to share information and samples, from which your name and other identifiers will be removed, to support ongoing research in hemophilia.

Once this service becomes available, you will be able to visit your local Hemophilia Treatment Center to participate. For more information, please visit mylifeourfuture.org.

united in progress: the founders



A not-for-profit organization representing over 130 Hemophilia Treatment Centers, the **American Thrombosis and Hemostasis Network (ATHN)** will ensure the collection and secure storage of information, while also supporting centers who offer this service.



Dedicated to finding better treatments and cures for inheritable bleeding disorders, the **National Hemophilia Foundation** is organizing and educating the community around this critical initiative.



A state-of-the-art laboratory, **Puget Sound Blood Center (PBSC)** has world-class expertise in hemophilia mutation analysis, and will provide confidential genetic testing and secure data transfer.



A committed community partner whose mission is to empower people with hemophilia to live the lives they choose, **Biogen Idec Hemophilia** is honored to provide financial support and leadership. We are the world's oldest independent biotechnology company, backed by over 30 years of scientific innovation and a passion for progress.