ANCHOR Study

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The purpose of this study is to determine whether treating anal HSIL is effective in reducing the incidence of anal cancer in HIV-infected men and women. UCSF will enroll about 340 people over the next 3 years. Participants come in for a screening visit where they have an HRA including biopsies of anything that is suspicious for HSIL. Those found to have HSIL are enrolled in the ANCHOR study. **At this point participants are randomized into either a group where their HSIL is treated or a group where the HSIL is monitored closely every 6 months**. Each visit lasts 1-2 hours and participants are reimbursed $100 at each visit. The study lasts 7 years.

Eligibility criteria:

- HIV+ people of all genders age 35+
- No previous history of **treatment** of HSIL in the last 6 months.
- No previous history of treatment for anal cancer
- No intention to father or mother new child
- Ability to come in every 6 months for 7 years
- No history of HPV vaccination
- Willing to accept the possibility that you may be told you have pre-cancerous lesions that won't be treated for several years. (Although you will be monitored, and if you develop anything cancerous you will be referred immediately for treatment.)

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