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Your Entire DNA Profile Online

The Mayo Clinic plans to sequence the entire genetic code of thousands of volunteers. In the future, they hope to have a patient’s genetic make-up in the medical record.

Volunteers will have their genome read, stored and linked to their medical records. One expert asks, “Who is going to store the information…who has access, and what are you going to do with information that you or the patient might not necessarily want to find out?”

I have another question. In the future, will you have a right to say no to having your DNA analyzed and shared online with others? Through newborn screening, government already mandates that every newborn be genetically tested without parent consent.