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My name is Rebecca and for most my life I've been unfortunately very familiar with the trauma and sadness that Huntington's Disease has caused. I've had more than 8 members of my family effected and taken including my mom by this horrid disease. The things I saw and lived through no child should have delt with. I was my moms primary care giver from the age of 14 till I was 30. She was placed in a facility that really didn't know how to deal with HD patient's especially when my mother became combative. Then the state took over and put her in the state hospital where she passed away 20 yrs ago this coming Friday the 31st of January.

I want no one to go through the traumas we've been through. Huntington's families need more support and treatments need to be made more available and not make it so damn expensive for families to get tested. Having to make the decision to test is a major life changing decision that can potentially cause you to fall apart or be absolutely positive because you find out you don't have HD.

Please Please do the right thing and do the right thing for all of our Huntington's families!