



Joint Clinical Trials Office

The Place To Find Cutting Edge Research

Weill Cornell Medicine (WCM) NewYork-Presbyterian (NYP)

is a leading center for clinical research. Our physicians and researchers are internationally recognized for cutting-edge research that helps find new treatments for a wide range of diseases. All of today's standard treatments were developed in clinical trials, many of them at WCM/NYP.

When exploring treatment options for you or a loved one, you might consider participation in a clinical trial. Research volunteers play a vital role in determining the safety and tolerability of new treatments. In addition, by participating in a clinical trial you may gain access to novel research treatments before they are widely available.



Please visit our website to find clinical trials currently recruiting participants at WCM/NYP. These studies are organized by health condition and provide information that will help you better understand what clinical trials are, how they work and why people participate in them.



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Thank You For Your Interest In Our Clinical Research.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q Who Can Participate in a Clinical Trial?

A Many studies are designed for people with specific diseases or conditions. Others are looking for healthy volunteers, and some studies enroll both individuals with diseases/conditions, as well as, healthy volunteers for comparison. Every clinical trial has detailed criteria that determine whether an individual is eligible to participate.

Q How Are Clinical Trial Participants Protected?

A Before joining a study, participants undergo a process of Informed Consent, which includes discussion of the risks and potential benefits of participating in a study.

The institution conducting the research must utilize an Institutional Review Board (IRB). The IRB is made up of physicians, researchers, and community members. The board reviews every study before deciding if the study can move forward. The main focus of the IRB is to protect the rights and welfare of study participants. The IRB monitors each study, at least annually, throughout the life of the study.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has strict regulations for the conduct of clinical trials to ensure the protection of study participants.

To learn more about our research studies, visit

jcto.weill.cornell.edu/patients/open_clinical_trials

Q Who Conducts the Clinical Trial?

A Every clinical trial is led by a "principal investigator," often a medical doctor or other medical professional. The principal investigator leads the research team that might include doctors, nurses and other health care professionals. The principal investigator is responsible for making sure the study is carried out properly and safely.