

Clinical Trials

Clinical trials are studies designed to test the safety and effectiveness of ways to prevent, detect or treat disease. People volunteer to join these studies. Clinical trials are a great way to try a new, potentially better treatment, as well as a way to help cancer research.

If you're interested in participating in a clinical trial, you may feel overwhelmed and unsure of what to ask your doctor. Here are some questions to help start the conversation.

Q: What are the different phases and types of clinical trials?

A: _____

Q: What is informed consent?

A: _____

Q: What do I need to know before I enroll in a clinical trial?

A: _____

Q: Is there a clinical trial you can suggest for me? If so, why?

A: _____

Q: How can I find out more about this trial?

A: _____

Q: Do I have to travel to be a part of a trial? How often do I need to be seen?

A: _____

Q: What are the pros and cons of this trial?

A: _____

Q: What is a placebo? Will I get one?

A: _____

Q: What costs are covered by the trial? Are there other costs I should expect? Will insurance cover the cost to participate in this trial? If not, is there financial assistance available?

A: _____

Q: What happens when the study ends? Is there long-term follow-up care? If the treatment is working for me, can I get it after the study ends?

A: _____

Notes:



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