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**CLINICAL RESEARCH INITIATIVE**

## 7th Annual Meeting



**Paving the Way  
to a Better  
Understanding  
of Clinical Trials**

**July 8–9, 2015**

**The Westin O'Hare, Chicago**

**A**s cancer research evolves, new approaches to treating patients are being developed via clinical trials. Clinical trials are becoming more complex with the integration of immunotherapies and targeted therapies. Multiple industry, government, and ad hoc groups focus on improving the clinical trials process and infrastructure. The goal of the AACI Clinical Research Initiative is to improve clinical trials management at cancer centers. To achieve this goal, the meeting provides opportunities for clinical trials office administrative and medical directors and staff to share best practices – through networking and interactive learning – that can lead to the discovery of novel cures and effective treatments for patients with cancer.



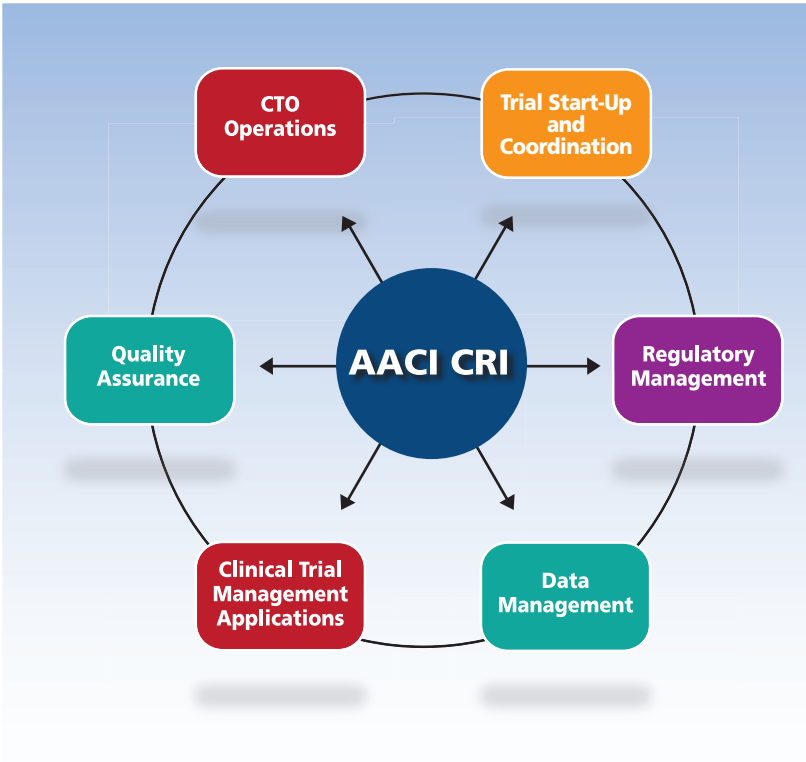
# AACI CRI Meeting Objectives

Attendees should be able to:

1. Identify cancer center concerns about the clinical research process.
2. Identify strategies for disseminating information that support the development of oncology research process improvements and the formation of best practices.
3. Describe the impact of changes in the National Cancer Institute (NCI) clinical trials system and the NCI Cancer Center Support Grant guidelines.
4. Discuss trends and best practices in clinical trials safety and compliance.
5. Support peer-to-peer networking, collaboration and ongoing communications between clinical trials administrative and medical directors.
6. Recommend policies that promote staff retention, job satisfaction, diversity and stability for the cancer center clinical research workforce.
7. Develop investigator and clinical research staff training programs to facilitate clinical research quality and compliance.
8. Promote partnerships with like-minded organizations, industry and business partners to facilitate the clinical research process and to increase the development of new cancer therapies.
9. Discuss the challenges of conducting clinical trials involving immunotherapies.
10. Understand the global impact of conducting clinical research in the US and abroad.

# AACI CRI Working Groups

AACI CRI's Working Groups create and implement new tools for use across the AACI cancer center network. Currently, six working groups have been established to share best practices, promote the efficient operation of cancer center clinical research facilities, and leverage the ability of the AACI cancer center network to advocate for change in the national clinical trials enterprise.



# MEETING PROGRAM

## Association of American Cancer Institutes 7th Annual Clinical Research Initiative Meeting

*The Westin O'Hare, Chicago*

### Wednesday, July 8

**7:00 AM Meeting Registration Begins – East Foyer**

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**7:00 AM Exhibits Open – East Foyer**

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**7:00 AM Continental Breakfast – Grand Ballroom B**

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**8:00 AM Welcome – Grand Ballroom A**

**Janie Hofacker, RN, BSN, MS**

*Association of American Cancer Institutes*

**Tony Reid, MD, PhD**

*UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center*

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**8:15 AM Immunotherapy and Cancer: Understanding the Challenges and Impact on the Clinical Trials Office – Grand Ballroom A**

This session will focus on exciting advances made in treating cancer through the use of immunotherapy. Panelists will address the mechanisms for using immunotherapy in clinical trials, as well as the challenges that are faced when integrating immunotherapies into trials. Specific examples of trials incorporating these novel approaches will be presented.

**Paul Martin, MD (Moderator)**

*Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center*

**Aude Chapuis, MD**

*Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center*

**Annick Desjardins, MD, FRCPC**

*Duke Cancer Institute*

*Duke University Medical Center*

**Jason Luke, MD, FACP**

*The University of Chicago Medicine Comprehensive Cancer Center*

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## **9:30 AM Understanding How to Conduct “Basket” and “Umbrella” Trials – Grand Ballroom A**

Panelists will present information about basket and umbrella trials. In basket studies, researchers test the effect of a single drug on a single mutation in a variety of cancer types, whereas in umbrella studies, the impact of different drugs on different mutations in a single type of cancer is tested. The Lung Cancer Master Protocol (Lung-MAP), ALCHEMIST (Adjuvant Lung Cancer Enrichment Marker Identification and Sequencing Trials), and NCI Match Trial will be discussed during this session. Panelists will explain how basket and umbrella trials are effective in treating cancer and will discuss strategies to reduce the regulatory burden and patient accrual challenges in these types of trials. The role of the molecular tumor board will also be discussed.

### **Elizabeth Anderson, MPH, BSN (Moderator)**

*Knight Cancer Institute*

*Oregon Health and Science University*

### **Dave Gerber, MD**

*Simmons Cancer Center*

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### **Colleen Lewis, MSN, ANP-BC, AOCNP**

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*Emory University*

### **Taofeek Owonikoko, MD, PhD, MSCR**

*Winship Cancer Institute*

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### **Erin Williams, MBA**

*Simmons Cancer Center*

*UT Southwestern Medical Center*

## **10:30 AM Break**

## **10:45 AM How Do Cancer Centers Ensure Patient Safety When Conducting Clinical Trials? — Grand Ballroom A**

Clinical trials are subject to a great deal of regulation and monitoring by independent committees and federal agencies to ensure studies are both safe and scientifically relevant. Institutional Review Boards (IRBs), Data Safety Monitoring Boards (DSMBs), and federal agencies all play a role in ensuring patient safety. Results of the Clinical Trials Transformation Initiative's (CTTI) Investigational New Drug Safety Advancement Project Survey will be presented and two cancer centers will share models for effectively following multiple guidelines to ensure patient safety while delivering novel therapies.

### **Vicki Keedy, MD, MSCI (Moderator)**

*Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center*

### **Annemarie Forrest, RN, MS, MPH**

*Clinical Trials Transformation Initiative (CTTI)*

### **Collette Houston**

*Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center*

## **11:30 AM 2015 AACI CRI Abstract Presentations** **— Grand Ballroom A**

Abstracts from CRI members focus on oncology research that illuminates clinical research management challenges and solutions. The CRI Steering Committee selected three abstracts for presentation at this year's meeting. Each presentation will be ten minutes followed by a five-minute Q & A session.

**Tony Reid, MD, PhD (Moderator)**

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### **Cancer Center's Experience with Insurance Denials for Clinical Trial Participation after ACA Mandate**

**Christine Mackay, RN, MSA, CCRP**

*University of Kansas Cancer Center*

**Amanda Schwartz**

*American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)*

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### **Leveraging AACI CRI Listserv Benchmarking and Technology to Reduce the Administrative Burden of Conducting Clinical Trials**

**Kate Huffman, RN, BSN, CCRA**

*University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center*

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### **Protocol Information Management Systems (PIMS) Regulatory Binder: Streamlining Regulatory Binder Documentation Maintenance & Improving Compliance**

**Abdul Karim Abdullah**

*Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center*

**Roy Cambria**

*Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center*

## **12:15 PM Lunch — Grand Ballroom B**

### **1:30 PM Maintaining the Quality of the Clinical Research Enterprise — Grand Ballroom A**

During this interactive session, panelists will share a variety of models for ensuring quality of care in the clinical research setting. Topics addressed will include onboarding and training of staff, regulatory issues, training investigators, employee satisfaction, and pharmacy issues.

**Teresa Stewart, MS, CRCP (Moderator)**

*New Mexico Cancer Care Alliance*

*University of New Mexico Cancer Center*

**Vijaya Chadaram, RN, MSN, CCRP**

*Duke Cancer Institute*

*Duke University Medical Center*

**Brenda Hann, MBA**

*Stanford Cancer Institute*

## **2:15 PM Promoting the Investigator/Clinical Research Coordinator Relationship to Ensure Clinical Trial Success — Grand Ballroom A**

This session will focus on the importance of the relationship between the investigator and the clinical research coordinator. Panelists will discuss successful strategies for building a positive relationship between the investigator and coordinator, as well as the increased effectiveness and efficiency of trial operations when such a relationship exists.

**James Thomas, MD, PhD (Moderator)**

*Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center*

**Jennifer Bunch**

*University of Kansas Cancer Center*

**Tara Lin, MD**

*University of Kansas Cancer Center*

## **3:00 PM Break**

## **3:15 PM Concurrent Breakout Sessions**



### **1. Physician Clinical Research Training: Doing Good Clinical Trials and Conducting Quality and Compliant Research Work — Lakeshore A**

**Paul Martin, MD**

*Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center*



### **2. Staff Retention and Training Programs: What Information Should be Included in the Training Manual? — Lakeshore B**

**Brenda Hann, MBA**

*Stanford Cancer Institute*

**Teresa Stewart, MS, CRCP**

*New Mexico Cancer Care Alliance*

*University of New Mexico Cancer Center*



### **3. Managing Trials at Network and Affiliate Sites — Grand Ballroom C**

**Jennifer Davis, CCRP**

*Simmons Cancer Center*

*UT Southwestern Medical Center*

**Marlisa Isom, MS, CCRP**

*Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center*

## **4:45 PM Poster Session – South Foyer**

## **6:00 PM Welcome Reception – South Foyer**



## Thursday, July 9

**7:00 AM Continental Breakfast – Grand Ballroom B**

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**7:00 AM Exhibits Open – East Foyer**

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**8:00 AM Breakout Session Report Back – Grand Ballroom A**

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**8:30 AM Attracting Support and Resources to Optimize Your Clinical Trials Office – Grand Ballroom A**

Panelists will discuss strategies for gaining institutional support in order to maximize clinical trials office operations. The panel will focus on the types of information that compel institutional leadership to provide additional support to the clinical trials office.

**Randy Holcombe, MD (Moderator)**

*Mount Sinai Health System  
Tisch Cancer Institute*

**Kirsten Erickson, PhD, MPH**

*University of Kansas Cancer Center*

**Roy Jensen, MD**

*University of Kansas Cancer Center*

**Brian Springer, MHA**

*Moffitt Cancer Center*

**Rebecca Turner, MS**

*Moffitt Cancer Center*

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**9:30 AM Trials and Tribulations: Effective and Ineffective Interventions – Grand Ballroom A**

In this session, presenters report the progress, or lack of progress, made in solving clinical trial operations problems presented in abstracts that were submitted for last year's CRI Annual Meeting.

**Chad Adams, MPH (Moderator)**

*The University of Arizona Cancer Center*

**Lee Cranmer, MD, PhD**

*The University of Arizona Cancer Center*

**J. T. Diener, CCRP**

*Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center  
Indiana University*

**Nancy Rollings, RN, MEd CCRC**

*Dartmouth-Hitchcock Norris Cotton Cancer Center*

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## 12:30 PM Lunch — Grand Ballroom B

## 1:30 PM Breakout Session Report Back — Grand Ballroom A

### 2:00 PM Understanding the NCI Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG): Preparing for your Competitive Renewal and Site Visit – Grand Ballroom A

Presenters will discuss their experiences by highlighting their cancer center's clinical trials and data management activities as reported in NCI CCSG competitive and noncompetitive grant renewals. Presenters will share lessons learned for preparing NCI Data Tables 3 and 4 and preparing for the NCI site visit and tour of the clinical trials office. A Q&A session will follow the presentations.

**Terri Matson (Moderator)**

*Hollings Cancer Center, University of South Carolina*

**Nick Fisher, MBA**

*Siteman Cancer Center*

**Sarah McNees, PhD**

*Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center, Baylor College of Medicine*

**Debra Wujcik, PhD, RN, FAAN**

*Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center*

## 3:00 PM Closing Remarks

## 3:15 PM Adjourn

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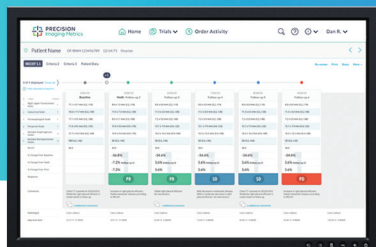


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