Background

Principal Investigators (PIs) and research sites are contacted in multiple ways when Sponsors or Contract Research Organizations (collectively as "sponsor") are seeking sites for trial participation. Prospective sites may be excluded from consideration if response to these initial inquiries are delayed or missed. Additionally, when study start up materials are sent to multiple individuals, confusion and further delay may occur. Finally, for studies that do not align with the Cancer Center's mission, resources may be needlessly spent evaluating these projects. To address these issues we propose a centralized pre-study process.



Goals

- Develop a single point of contact to facilitate communication about new study opportunities
- Streamline the process to alleviate the number of emails sent to PIs and study team members
- Ensure new opportunities match the Cancer Center's mission Increase efficiencies of site selection process



Value of Centralized Pre-study Process

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Method







Lessons Learned

- Establishing a single point of access for sponsors with new study opportunities has allowed the KUCC NewOps team to facilitate timely and consistent communication focused on operational timelines.
- Following this process has eliminated the need for disease groups to spend time reviewing trials that do not align with their research interests and trial portfolios.
- The team will continue capturing these metrics to evaluate how this process relates to overall study activation timelines.