



OUR WEBINAR WILL BEGIN SHORTLY

A photograph of three people (two women and one man) standing outdoors in a field. They are all wearing white t-shirts with the 'F!GHT COLORECTAL CANCER' logo. The image has a blue-to-orange gradient overlay. The text 'Clinical Trials: How do I get involved?' is centered over the image.

Clinical Trials: How do I get involved?



TODAY'S WEBINAR



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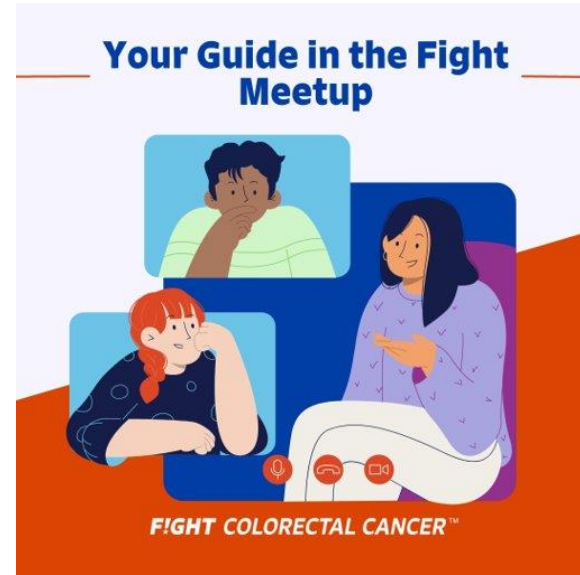
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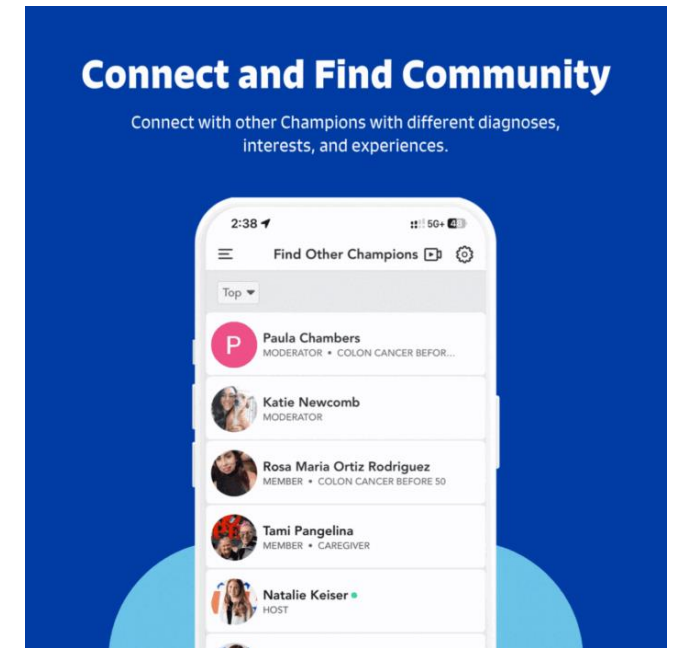
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TODAY'S PRESENTER








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- Can you provide a quick overview of what clinical trials are?

HOW SAFE ARE THEY AND HOW WELL DO THEY WORK?

ON AVERAGE, IT TAKES A NEW CANCER DRUG eight years to get through clinical trials. There are many phases a new drug or protocol goes through to ensure safety before doctors can use it to treat patients.

				
PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4
Preclinical research is not done on humans.	THE DOSE	DOES IT WORK?	HOW WELL IT WORKS	ONGOING
<p>Doctors clearly describe why their trial may work. This occurs before people are invited to participate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TIME: about 6 years <p>An investigational new drug application is often needed to learn about preclinical work, how the drug is manufactured, and more.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • determine safe dose range • identify side effects • TIME: 3 months – 1 year • less than 30 participants <p>Doctors slowly increase drug amount to find a safe dosage that doesn't lead to severe side effects.</p> <p>Doctors learn how the drug is absorbed by the body, which affects drug delivery. (For example, is it better to take the drug intravenously or orally?)</p> <p><small>*There have been times when Phase 1 trials slowed or stopped cancer growth.</small></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluate safety • evaluate effectiveness • TIME: 2 years • 30 – 120 participants <p>Doctors collect more safety information. They learn if the treatment works by taking blood analysis or tumor measurements.</p> <p>Patients may receive different doses of the new treatment to see which dose is best.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • confirm effectiveness • monitor side effects • compare to standard of care • gather as much information as possible • TIME: about 2 years • about 300 participants <p>Doctors learn if the new treatment is better than the old, or if it has fewer side effects and is equally effective. These are randomized (page 11) for comparison.</p> <p>If the new protocol or drug is beneficial, doctors can apply for FDA approval.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gather information on the treatment's effect in different demographics • collect information on side effects that result from long-term use • TIME: many years • various number of participants <p>If the FDA approves a new drug or protocol, studies continue so doctors can learn about the long-term effectiveness and side effects.</p>

1 in 5

About one in five new drugs that enter clinical trials receive FDA approval



VOCABULARY

Effectiveness refers to whether or not something works.



From time to time, you may hear about trials that were accelerated for FDA approval. This means that drugs for serious conditions, which fill an unmet need, can request faster approval.

- Should patients consider participating in a clinical trial regardless of their stage of disease?

- How is eligibility for a particular trial determined?

- Can you go over some of the risks involved with participating in a trial?

- Is it normal to be scared or apprehensive when participating in a trial?

- I've decided that I'd like to explore participating in a clinical trial, what are my first steps?

- I've found a trial that I think I qualify for, do I need to "interview" to be accepted, or do I just apply?

- Once I've enrolled in a trial, what will my care look like?

- Will I be informed about my disease progress during the trial?

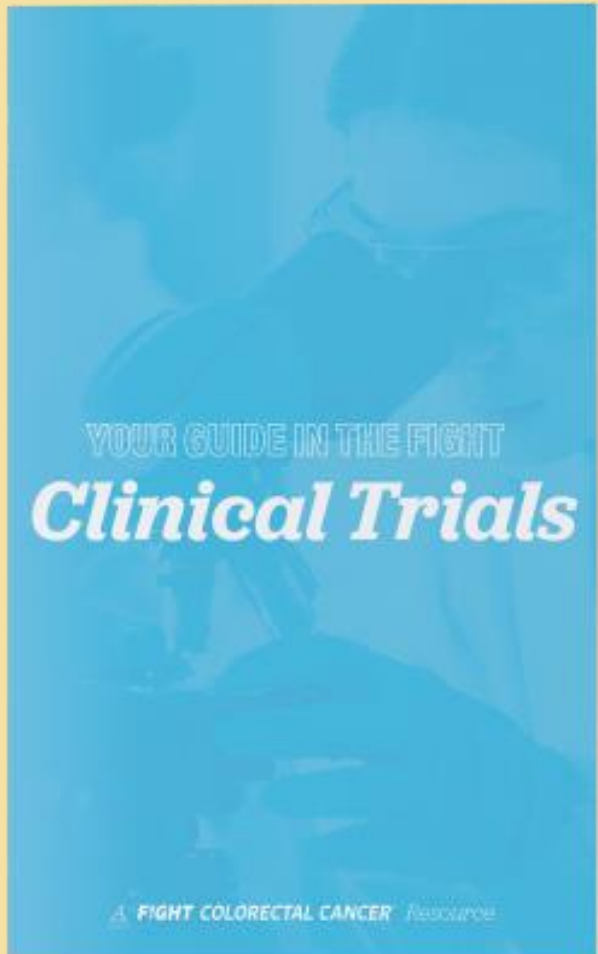
- What happens if the trial ends while I'm still receiving treatment? What happens to my care?



QUESTION AND ANSWER

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Fight CRC's ***Clinical Trials*** brochure covers important information about colorectal cancer clinical trials, from what to expect when enrolling in a trial to a list of questions to be sure to discuss with your provider.

All of Fight CRC's patient resources are medically reviewed and free to request or download.

Find it, and all of our resources, at fightcolorectalcancer.org/resources

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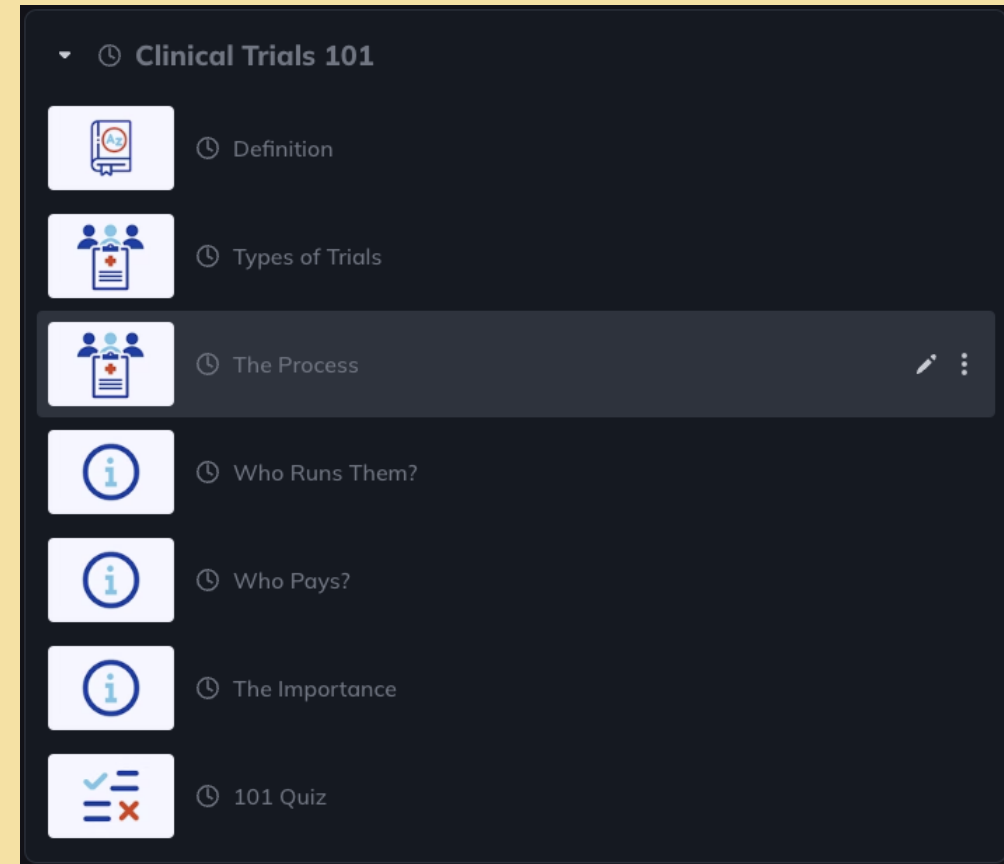
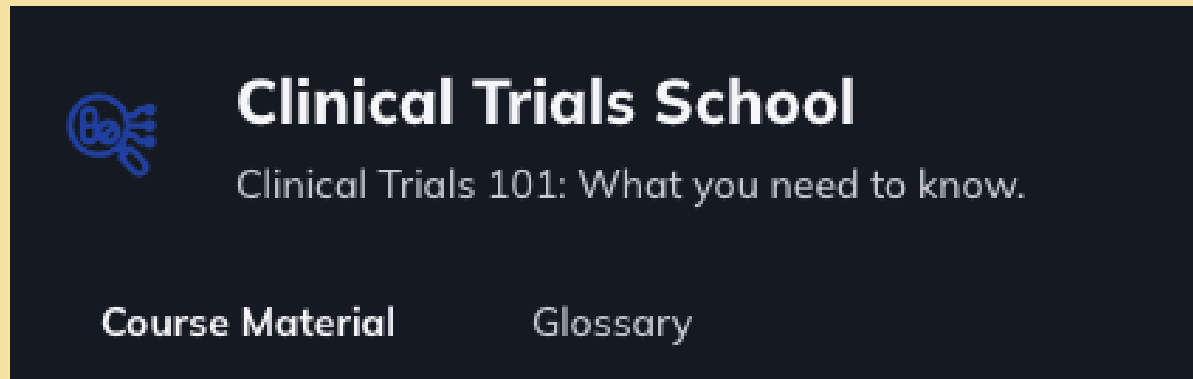
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Fight CRC's clinical trial finder is a great place to search for trials for patients with stage IV disease and MSI-H or MSS status.

Visit fightcrc.org/clinical-trial-finder to use this free tool.

Clinical Trials School In Community of Champions

Clinical Trials: How do I get involved?



Join Fight CRC in our Community of Champions app to test your clinical trials knowledge!

It's free to sign up and free to use, and is a great place to find community, stay up-to-date with Fight CRC, and learn about various topics, like biomarkers and clinical trials.

Fight Colorectal Cancer Mission

We FIGHT to cure colorectal cancer and serve as relentless champions of hope for all affected by this disease through informed patient support, impactful policy change, and breakthrough research endeavors.

A photograph of two female scientists in a laboratory setting, overlaid with a blue-to-purple gradient. The scientist on the right is wearing safety glasses and blue gloves, using a pipette. The scientist on the left is also wearing glasses and gloves, looking towards the first scientist. Both are wearing white lab coats with a 'Promega' logo. The text 'THANK YOU' is centered in white.

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