

Cancer Clinical Trial Representation: Help Us Drive Change

People Living With Cancer

Cancer clinical trials are carefully monitored research studies that evaluate the safety and effectiveness of treatments for people with cancer. Cancer clinical trials may allow people to access innovative new treatments, receive specialized care from a clinical trial team, advance the science, and potentially improve cancer care for themselves and others.¹

Research consistently shows that many participants report positive experiences with cancer clinical trials. In one US study of cancer clinical trials, 74% felt their participation was worthwhile and 82% said they would recommend participation to others.²

Participants have reported valuing the additional support, close monitoring, and opportunity to contribute to future advances in care, regardless of whether they personally benefit from the treatment being studied in the trial.³

By participating in a clinical trial, if appropriate—and encouraging others to speak to their healthcare team about clinical trial participation—you can help deepen our understanding of how treatments perform across different populations and support research more informed by real-world patient needs. Your voice can make a difference.



Talk with your healthcare team about local clinical trials in your area. Remember, informed participation is always voluntary and is your choice.



Share your cancer journey and any clinical trial experience to help raise awareness, reduce stigma, and advocate for more accessible and equitable research opportunities. Your voice may help identify barriers and inspire solutions for future patients.



Ask questions and provide feedback to researchers and healthcare providers about your trial experience. Your insights may help make future clinical trials more patient-centered and accessible.



Engage and connect with others who are considering or have participated in clinical trials by joining support groups, attending community engagement events, and mentoring.



Support organizations that educate, advocate, and work to make clinical research more inclusive and accessible for all.

For more information, visit

<https://www.astrazeneca-us.com/content/az-us/Building-Better-Representation-in-Cancer-Research.html>

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