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Choosing to participate
in clinical research at Penn



ABOUT CLINICAL TRIALS

Medical breakthroughs are tested during clinical trials before they can be used to treat patients. They are a way to determine if a new medical treatment is safe and effective. There are many clinical trials and other types of clinical research studies open at Penn.

Common Myths About Clinical Trials

It will cost me money to participate in a clinical trial.

If you participate in a clinical trial, you may be compensated for your time and effort.

My medical care at Penn will be affected if I participate or choose not to participate.

If you decide to participate, there will be no impact to your medical care at Penn Medicine. You can decide to leave the study at any time. Changing your mind will not affect your future care.

I may be given a placebo or “sugar pill” instead of receiving standard of care treatment.

Placebos are mostly used along with standard of care treatment. If there is no known standard of care treatment, placebos may be given alone. Placebos are not used in clinical trials where participants will be harmed if they do. When a placebo is used, participants will be informed before they agree to participate.

Why Participate in Clinical Research?

- To have access to the latest medical breakthroughs.
- Participation may provide a higher level of medical monitoring.
- To help researchers move science forward.

Your provider may help you decide whether standard of care or participation in a clinical trial is right for you.

Move Science Forward Together



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