

For information about National Cancer Institute clinical studies taking place on the campus of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, call

1-888-624-1937

Clinical studies, also called clinical trials, test new ways of preventing and treating cancer. When laboratory research identifies promising new treatments, the next step is to test the treatments on people with cancer (or, in the case of prevention studies, people at high risk of getting cancer).

The Clinical Studies Support Center offers a toll-free, telephone service that provides information about National Cancer Institute clinical studies at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. Patients, family members, physicians and the general public are invited to call.

When you call the Clinical Studies Support Center, an information specialist or oncology nurse will ask you questions about your health and medical treatment. He/she will conduct a search of clinical studies and send you summaries of those that look like a good match for you.

Involving Your Doctor

You should review the information you receive from the Clinical Studies Support Center with your doctor. He/she will then need to contact the physician in charge of the study to discuss your medical history and current health status. If you appear to meet the study requirements, you will be invited to the National Cancer Institute for a screening visit. The purpose of this visit is to determine whether you are eligible to participate in the study.

Costs

There is no charge for medical services provided at the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center. You will be responsible for your travel costs related to the screening visit. However, once accepted into a study, the National Cancer Institute will arrange and pay for your travel.

For More Information

Contact the Clinical Studies Support Center at 1-888-624-1937, Monday–Friday, from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

Or, visit our Web site at

<http://bethesdatrials.nci.nih.gov>.

The National Cancer Institute also sponsors clinical studies at cancer centers nationwide.

To learn about these studies, call

1-800-4-CANCER.



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