



The Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act (FDAAA), National Institutes of Health (NIH) [and other entities](#) require registration of certain studies on a publicly accessible website, [ClinicalTrials.gov](#).

****Please review the detailed guidance on the [UCI HRP webpage related to ClinicalTrials.gov](#)**

Registration may be required if one (or more) of the following is true:

- The study is **funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) AND** meets the [NIH definition](#) of a clinical trial
- The study involves **drugs, devices, or biologics** that are [regulated by the Food and Drug Administration](#) (FDA)
- There is a plan to **publish the results in a medical journal** AND the study meets the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors ([ICMJE definition of a clinical trial](#))
- If your clinical trial will bill routine costs to [Medicare](#), the study must be registered on ClinicalTrials.gov
- If you have a clinical trial that includes a drug that available via [expanded access](#).
- If your **clinical trial receives funding** from [Department of Defense](#) (check with program Officer), [PCORI](#), [National Cancer Institute](#), [Veterans Affairs](#)

A trial is registered in ClinicalTrials.gov after a new “protocol record” is created and passes QA review in the Protocol Registration and Results System (PRS) for ClinicalTrials.gov. **Once a record passes review with the PRS reviewers, it is assigned a clinical trial identifier (NCT#) and registered.**

The following is a quick start users guide on how to carry out some of the most common functions on ClinicalTrials.gov when registering a study. For a general overview of the registration process and requirements, see the ClinicalTrials.gov page [How to Register Your Study](#).

IMPORTANT:

- * Per [UCI HRP Policy #2](#), the [ClinicalTrials.gov record may be released for PRS review AFTER IRB submission](#).
- * **At UCI, each IRB Protocol** that requires ClinicalTrials.gov registration should correspond to **only one NCT# / PRS record**. If more than one NCT# is required for an IRB Protocol by a funding entity, [please contact your PRS administrator](#).

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1. How to Obtain a User Account:

Once you have determined that your study needs to be registered on ClinicalTrials.gov, you will need to submit the record for the study in the [Protocol Registration and Results System \(PRS\)](#):
****PRS guided tutorials can be found here****

- a. **For PRS access** (if you do not already have an account), please contact Electronic Research Administration: era@research.uci.edu.
- b. **If you are unsure if your study should be registered, contact your PRS Administrator:**
 - i. For [UCI Health Science studies](#), please contact Jinah Chang (jinahec@hs.uci.edu)
 - ii. For UCI Cancer Center studies, please contact Michelle Tran (mdich@hs.uci.edu)
 - iii. For Non-UCI Health studies, please contact the EQUIP team (EQUIP@uci.edu).
- c. Once the account has been created, an email will be sent from ClinicalTrials.gov to the new user with a username, password and instructions for logging in to UCI's Institutional PRS account
- d. For questions about the **registration process at UCI**, contact the EQUIP team (EQUIP@uci.edu), or contact PRS staff at register@clinicaltrials.gov.

2. Logging in for the First Time:

- a. Go to <https://register.clinicaltrials.gov/> to sign in
- b. **Enter Organization:** UCalifornialrvine
- c. **Enter the username and password** emailed to you by ClinicalTrials.gov

Organization:
One-word organization name assigned by PRS (sent via email when account was created)

Username:

Password: [Forgot password](#)

- d. **Change your password** once you log in for the first time
 - i. Go to Accounts > Change password
 - ii. You will receive a temporary password via email

3. To begin a new PRS Record:

- a. **Suggestion:** Print or save a copy of the Protocol Data Entry [Protocol Review Criteria](#) (PDF) for reference. This document provides general guidance for compliant record creation as well as "Hints" detailing specific requirements for completion of key fields in the protocol record.
- b. Under "Quick Links", select **New Record** or use the quick links to the left-hand side and click on "New Record":

ClinicalTrials.gov PRS
 Protocol Registration and Results System



- c. Complete the "Create New Record" initiation screen

4. Sharing Access to a Study:



- a. **Only one Record Owner can be assigned** to a study record, but the Record Owner can allow other users to edit the study record by granting them access.
- b. For UCI Investigator Initiated studies, **the Principal Investigator (Lead Researcher) or the responsible Clinical Research Coordinator** can be listed as the “Record Owner”.
- c. **Other study staff requiring PRS access should be listed in the “Access List”.**

Record Status

In Progress → Entry Completed → Approved → Released → PRS Review → Public

Next Step: Finish Protocol section **Entry Complete** ?

Record Owner: AMathur [User Icon]

Last Update: 02/08/2022 16:33 by AMathur [User Icon]

Initial Release: [Not yet released]

Access List: [] **Edit**

Upload: Allowed **Edit**

PRS Review: [Not yet released]

Public Site: [Not yet registered]

FDAAA: Unknown (insufficient information entered) ?

5. To Begin Entry of Information For The Record:

- a. “Open” the “Protocol Section”:

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Open Protocol Section

Identifiers: [NCT ID not yet assigned] Unique Protocol ID: Test Protocol 1 Secondary IDs:

Brief Title: Brief Title (BT)

6. Study Identification Module:

- a. You will be prompted for **Organization’s Unique Protocol ID**.
- b. At UCI, the Unique Protocol ID **MUST** match the **IRB number (DIGITS ONLY no dashes, no #, same number as in [KRP](#))**.
- c. Add the brief and official title for your study
- d. if using any acronyms- specify in the “Acronym” section
- e. Select **Continue** to complete the “Create New Record” module, and add information into each module of the protocol record as appropriate to your study.
- f. **Secondary IDs:**
 - i. **Grant-funded projects MUST enter the sponsor-issued grant or award number in this field.** ¹
 - ii. For industry-funded projects, use the sponsor’s protocol ID number
 - iii. For **UCI Cancer Center studies**, in the **Secondary ID field**, select "Other Identifier" and add the **unique CFCCC identifier**, with "Issuing Organization" as "UCI CFCCC".
- g. To ensure compliance with the requirements for each data entry field and module, refer frequently to the [Definitions](#) and [Help](#) links at the top of each module.
- h. Under the “Help” menu, go to the QUICK START GUIDE.
- i. Instructional links embedded throughout the PRS will aid users with navigation and record completion.

7. Study Status:

- a. **The Record Verification Date** reflects the last time the PRS record was updated. Revise this date each time the record is verified for accuracy and completeness.
- b. Complete the rest of the required information **per guidance in this section:**

¹ **U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) Grant/Contract Award Number:** In the **Secondary ID field**, include activity code, institute code, and 6-digit serial number. Other components of the full award number (type code, support year, and suffix) are optional.



[Help](#) [Definitions](#)

* Record Verification Date: Month: Year:

* Overall Recruitment Status:
Before selecting Suspended, Terminated or Withdrawn see the [Overall Recruitment Status definition](#).

Tip: Day is not required for Anticipated dates.

* § Study Start Date: Month: Day: Year: Type:
Date study is open for recruitment (Anticipated) or date first participant is enrolled (Actual).

* Primary Completion Date: Month: Day: Year: Type:
Final data collection date for primary outcome measure.

* § Study Completion Date: Month: Day: Year: Type:
Final data collection date for study.

- c. If unsure of dates, indicate the date as “anticipated” in the last dropdown under “Type”
- d. If recruitment has begun, specify the “actual” date the first subject was enrolled.

8. Sponsor / Collaborators:

- a. For all UCI Investigator Initiated studies, the Principal Investigator (Lead Researcher) should be designated as the Responsible Party (RP).
- b. Under Responsible Party choose “Principal Investigator” (PI)
- c. Select the Investigator name from the drop-down menu (email era@uci.edu if the PI does not have a PRS account)
- d. Enter the Investigator’s Official Title
- e. Investigator’s Affiliation should automatically populate to “University of California, Irvine”
- f. **Sponsor:** Regardless of funding source, enter the “regulatory sponsor” (primary organization overseeing the implementation of the study), usually University of California Irvine.
- g. Any collaborating sites should be entered under the Collaborators section
- h. Click Continue

9. Oversight:

- a. **U.S. FDA Regulated Drug / Device:** Indicate whether this study involves an FDA-regulated drug, biologic, or device.
- b. **U.S. FDA Regulated Drug / Device:** Indicate whether this study will be conducted with a drug/device product under a U.S. FDA Investigational New Drug (IND) Application or Investigational Device Exemption (IDE).
- c. **Human Subjects Protection Review:** Enter the **current status** of your [IRB Protocol](#) in KRP (e.g., “submitted, pending” if an application has been submitted but is under review).
- d. Add the following information for the UCI IRB:
 - i. **Board Name:** University of California Irvine IRB
 - ii. **Board Affiliation:** University of California Irvine
 - iii. **Board Contact:** 949-824-8170
 - iv. **Email:** irb@uci.edu
 - v. **Business Address:** 160 Aldrich Hall, Irvine, California, 92697-7600
- e. **Data Monitoring:** Indicate whether a data monitoring committee (board) has been appointed for this study
- f. **Oversight Authorities:** Name each national or international organization with authority over the protocol (e.g. DHHS, FDA, NIH, DOD, DOE, etc.)

10. Record Completion:

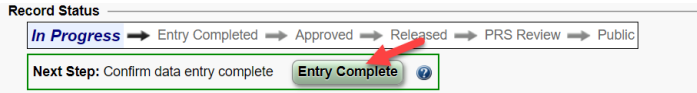
- a. Enter all the applicable information regarding the study you are registering in the Study Description”,

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“Conditions”, “Study Design”, “Arms and Interventions”, “Eligibility” sections, as well as any other applicable sections.

- b. Review and reference [the PRS User Guide](#)
- c. After filling in the last data entry page, the “Protocol Section” page appears with all of the

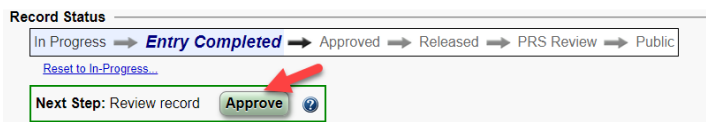


information provided. Review and “Entry Complete” if all information is complete.

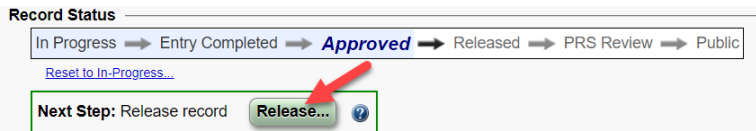
- d. Address any ERROR messages if populated.

11. Responsible Party: Record Review, Approval, Release:

- a. If the PI is the responsible party, they will review all entries made by study staff prior to release.
- b. Once the information is confirmed (passed internal review), under “Record Status” – click “Approve”:



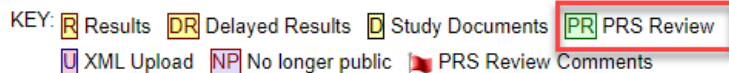
- c. Select “Release” to submit the record to ClinicalTrials.gov. The responsible party confirms their identity, and that the record is up to date, reviewed for accuracy and completeness:
- d. Once released, PRS staff perform final review and processing of the record.



- e. Note: some records may receive [PRS Review Comments that identify major issues](#) that **must be addressed by the responsible party** before the record will be made available on ClinicalTrials.gov.
- f. Following successful PRS review, records are made available to the public through the ClinicalTrials.gov web site within 2 to 5 days of Release.
- g. The ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier (NCT number) is assigned as part of that process.

****GENERAL EQUIP TIPS:**

- Please download and review the IRB EQUIP TIPS guidance document called [“CHECKLIST TO ADDRESS COMMON PRS ERRORS”](#) to avoid common issues noted by the ClinicalTrials.gov database (PRS) staff prior to public release.
- Directly email PRS staff if you have any questions or need help related to PRS Review Comments at register@clinicaltrials.gov
- Once a record is created, you can update it as long as it is not undergoing PRS review:



- If your department is utilizing the “Secondary ID” Section for a Unique department ID, click “Show/Hide Columns” next to the search bar in PRS, and select “Secondary IDs” as part of your records filter:



12. When / how often must I update ClinicalTrials.gov registration information?



- **The Record Verification Date** should be updated any time the responsible party reviews the complete set of submitted clinical trial information for accuracy and **not less than every 12 months**, even if no other updated information is submitted at that time.
- Responsible Parties should review the [Clinical Trial Registration Data Elements for More Frequent Updating Table](#) as **many elements must be updated within 30 days of a change**.
- It is recommended that the **Record Verification Date be updated at least every 6 months** for studies that are not yet completed, even if there were no changes to the record.

13. Results Reporting:

- **The Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act (FDAAA), National Institutes of Health (NIH)** require the **publication of results** for certain studies on ClinicalTrials.gov (Ct.gov).
 - See [FDAAA 801 and the Final Rule](#) for more information.
 - See [How to Submit Your Results](#) for details.
- The ICMJE Policy recommends results publication but it is not required.
- After a clinical trial has been registered on ClinicalTrials.gov **and the study is completed**, the Responsible Party must publish the results on ClinicalTrials.gov.
- Submission of results information is required **no later than 12 months after the Primary Completion Date (the last subject last visit)** of the clinical trial, which is defined as the date of final data collection for the primary outcome measure.

14. Posting the Consent Form:

- **WHICH STUDIES?**
 - All **clinical trials** funded by **an agency that has signed onto the Common Rule** initially approved on or after January 21, 2019 **OR** that transitioned to the 2018 Common Rule Requirements ([45 CFR 46.101\(l\)](#)) and the transition determination was documented and dated by the IRB before the trial is closed to recruitment and 60 or fewer days before the last protocol-required study visit by any subject enrolled in the protocol.
 - Please see OHRP "[The Informed Consent Posting Requirement](#)" PowerPoint for details.
- **WHAT DO I POST?**
 - **One IRB-approved consent form** used to enroll subjects
 - Even if multiple versions were approved by the IRB, only one must be uploaded.
- **WHEN?**
 - After the clinical trial is **closed to recruitment**, and **no later than 60 days after the last study visit by any subject**, as required by the protocol.
- **WHERE?**
 - Two federal websites have been identified as satisfying 45 CFR46.116(h): [ClinicalTrials.gov](#) and a designated docket folder on Regulations.gov (Docket ID: [HHS-OPHS-2018-0021](#)).
- **HOW?**
 - OHRP - [Informed Consent Posting Instructions](#)