

# THREE STEPS TO NAVIGATE CLINICAL TRIALS



Clinical trials are an important treatment option for people with pancreatic cancer. PanCAN is your partner to help find options that are right for you! Here are three steps to kickstart your search:



## STEP 1: Contact PanCAN Patient Services at 877-2-PANCAN

A Patient Services Case Manager can use the following information to perform a personalized clinical trials search (this info will also be helpful for Step 3!):

- Type of pancreatic cancer \_\_\_\_\_
- Current stage of cancer \_\_\_\_\_
- If the cancer has spread, indicate which organs it has spread to \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you currently on treatment? YES NO
- Treatments received and general timeline \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- Have you undergone biomarker and genetic testing of your tumor? YES NO
- If yes, please provide results: \_\_\_\_\_

*Not sure how to answer these questions before contacting Patient Services? No problem! Patient Services Case Managers can help answer anything mentioned in this list. The goal is to provide you with a personalized list of clinical trial options to bring to your doctor.*



## STEP 2: Talk To Your Doctor

Your healthcare team is a partner in this process. Bring your personalized list of potential clinical trials to start the conversation.

- What are the potential benefits of joining a clinical trial? What are the potential risks?
- If we decide on a clinical trial, what are my next steps? Will you help me contact clinical trial sites?
- Based on my personalized list, what options would you recommend and why?
- What treatment options do I have if I don't join a clinical trial?
- What support services are available to me and to my family?

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## STEP 3: Contact Clinical Trial Sites

You (or your healthcare team) can reach out to the research nurse or the study coordinator at clinical trial sites to have a conversation about next steps. Make sure you have your diagnosis and treatment history handy from the list in Step 1.

Be ready to ask questions, such as:

- Is this trial still accepting new patients?
- What treatment(s) will I receive in this clinical trial?
- What records/information are needed to determine if I am eligible for this trial?
- What other tests will I need to undergo?
- How many patients are enrolled in the trial, and how many are planned to enroll?
- Who sponsors the trial?
- Are there costs that I or my insurance company would have to pay if I participate?

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*Most clinical trials require a screening process, which involves gathering medical records and doing additional tests before enrollment. This may look different depending on the trial. Your PanCAN Patient Services Case Manager is your partner at every step in this process. We can help connect you with sites as well as answer questions about screening and enrollment.*

Visit [pancan.org/clinicaltrials](https://pancan.org/clinicaltrials) for additional resources, including frequently asked questions, webinar recordings and more.



**For more information about clinical trials, contact PanCAN Patient Services.**

Contact us toll-free at

**877-2-PANCAN or email [patientservices@pancan.org](mailto:patientservices@pancan.org).**

**We are available Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Pacific Time.**