Clinical Trials: Breaking Down Access Barriers

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Learning objectives

At the conclusion of this session, attendees will be able to:

• Describe barriers patients and families face enrolling in clinical trials

• Describe barriers health professionals and researchers face recruiting patients for clinical trials

• Identify 1 systems-based strategy to improve access to clinical trials
The Importance of Clinical Trials

- Overall survival for some cancer diagnoses is significantly higher for patients participating in clinical trials versus those who do not, however, fewer than 10% of cancer patients participate.\(^1\)

- There are many barriers to enrollment into trials at the system level and for researchers, health professionals, patients and their caregivers.

Panelists

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Caregiver

Molly Schneider, BSN, RN, CPHON
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- **Clinical Trials Patient Education Specialist** to provide one-on-one support for patients and families by answering questions and helping navigate their specific clinical trials search.

- **Easy-to-use, web-based search tool** to find relevant clinical trials. [JasonCarterClinicalTrialsProgram.org](http://JasonCarterClinicalTrialsProgram.org)

- **Educational resources** for patients and families to help them understand clinical trials.

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