

## **Questions to Ask Your Doctor: Clinical Trials**

If you are thinking about joining a clinical trial, the questions below may help you have a discussion with your medical team and make informed decisions about treatment and care. Please also see the additional questions to ask your doctor in the resources below.

Clinical trials can provide access to new treatments, but it's important to understand how they work and what to expect. These questions can help you learn more about the trial, your role in it, and how it may impact your care. Having this information will help you decide if participating is the right choice for you.

| Is a clinical trial a treatment option for me and why? |
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| Why are you recommending this trial for me?            |
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| Why is the trial being done?                           |
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| Who's conducting the trial?                            |
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| Am I eligible to participate?                          |
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| What phase is the clinical trial in?                   |
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| What are the benefits and risks?   |
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| Will I receive the standard treatment or something new?  |
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| How long will the trial last?  |
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| <ul> <li>How often will I need to visit the hospital or clinic? Or can this trial be done<br/>with a virtual visit?</li> </ul> |
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| Will you still be my oncologist?   |
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| What is informed consent?  |
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| <ul> <li>What are my rights as a patient? Can I leave the trial at any time for any<br/>reason?</li> </ul>                     |
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| <ul> <li>Are there any costs involved, like for extra tests or treatments?</li> </ul>  |
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- · Where would I go to participate in the trial?
- Will the trial cover other expenses like travel or lodging?
- What happens after the trial ends? Will I still receive care or follow-up?
- Will participating in the trial disqualify my ability to be on any medications in the future?
- Where can I learn more about this trial?

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Scan to see additional questions to ask your doctor and access helpful resources.



## ABOUT THE NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER COALITION

The National Ovarian Cancer Coalition (NOCC) is dedicated to raising awareness, promoting education, and providing support for individuals impacted by ovarian cancer.

Since 1991, NOCC has offered programs and resources including peer support, online education, care packages, and financial assistance to help survivors and caregivers navigate their journey.





