

Newsletter



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😊 Congratulations -

since the annual meeting in January 2005, enrollment in the registry has increased 14% overall. Keep up the good work!

☑ Please check out the soon to be updated NAC Webpage on the NAPRTCS website (www.NAPRTCS.org – coordinator tab)

👥 Educational Offerings:

These meetings are coming up-

- AST Symposium- Optimizing Clinical Research In Transplantation- Sept 9-10, 2005- Rosemont, IL- for more info, go to www.a-s-t.org
- ANNA Fall Meeting – September 24-26 - Kansas City, MO, for more info, go to anna@ajj.com



Resources-

The following are resources that may be helpful to you in your practice-

- Association of Clinical Research Professionals- www.acrpnet.org
- Society of Clinical Research Associates- www.socra.org
- Food and Drug Administration- www.fda.gov
- National Institutes of Health- www.nih.gov
- Office for Human Research Protection- www.hhs.gov
- NAPRTCS- www.naprtcs.org
- Office of Human Subjects Research- www.oshr.od.nih.gov



Recruitment and Retention Tip-

Participating in clinical trials can be inconvenient for families. Minimize these inconveniences by scheduling clinic visits and study visits on the same day. Try to accommodate appointment requests and make an effort to minimize their time in clinic.



FAQ's

What are GCP's? A Good Clinical Practice (GCP) is an ethical and scientific quality standard for designing,

conducting, monitoring, recording, auditing, analyzing, and reporting clinical trials that involve human subjects. These guidelines were created by the International Conference on Harmonization to create an international unified standard for conducting clinical trials. The purpose of the Guideline for Good Clinical Practice is to protect human subjects during clinical studies, protect patients who might receive approved products in the future, and to ensure scientific integrity of clinical data obtained during the trial. The ICH Guideline for Good Clinical Practice can be located at www.fda.gov

Resource: Code of Federal Regulations and ICH Guidelines, April 1, 2002 edition.



Please e-mail us with suggestions for form changes—we can then relay them to the appropriate persons within NAPRTCS to have the suggestions reviewed for use. (e-mail: jwstarr@cmh.edu)



If you have any ideas about possible topics to address at the next NAPRTCS Annual Meeting, please forward them to any of the NAC members.



Meet the members of the Nurse Advisory Committee-

- Michelle Sharbono, BSN, RN, CCRC – Research Nurse Manager for Pediatric Nephrology, Children’s Hospital, Birmingham, AL

- Julie Starr, MSN, RN, CNN- CKiD Project Director, Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO
- Elizabeth Hughson, MS, RN- Clinical Coordinator, Renal Program, Children's Hospital, Boston, MA
- Marilyn McMullen, MS, APRN, BC- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Pediatric Nephrology, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
- Cindy Richards, RN, CNN- Renal Transplant Coordinator, Children's Health Systems, Birmingham, AL
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