ORP Open Forum

Friday, May 2, 2025 | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm PT

Please join us in-person to discuss topics in a small group setting. Rotate between four 20-minute sessions of your choice to learn more about conducting SWOG trials, mitigating challenges, and implementing strategies with your facilitator and tablemates. This meeting is open to everyone and provides an opportunity to hear updates and ask questions. Please join us!

Table Schedule: please attend one table topic per session.

Open Forum Round Tables	Session 1 11:05-11:25	Session 2 11:25-11:45	Session 3 11:45-12:05	Session 4 12:05-12:25
Table 1	**SWOG's Clinical Trial Partnership (CTP)** Casey Dawson Sharon Palmer	**SWOG's Clinical Trial Partnership (CTP)** Casey Dawson Sharon Palmer	**SWOG's Clinical Trial Partnership (CTP)** Casey Dawson Sharon Palmer	**SWOG's Clinical Trial Partnership (CTP)** Casey Dawson Sharon Palmer
Table 2	**ORP Sub-Committees** Dana Little Lisa Stoppenhagen	**ORP Sub-Committees** Dana Little Lisa Stoppenhagen	**ORP Sub-Committees** Dana Little Lisa Stoppenhagen	**ORP Sub-Committees** Dana Little Lisa Stoppenhagen
Table 3	**Veterans Affairs (VA)** Leslie Weissenstein Caitlin Hutchinson	**Veterans Affairs (VA)** Leslie Weissenstein Caitlin Hutchinson	**Veterans Affairs (VA)** Leslie Weissenstein Caitlin Hutchinson	**Veterans Affairs (VA)** Leslie Weissenstein Caitlin Hutchinson
Table 4	**Site Reimbursement - NCA** Pat Mize, Chris Pustulka, Anna Hogan	**Site Reimbursement - NCA** Pat Mize, Chris Pustulka, Anna Hogan	**Site Reimbursement - NCA** Pat Mize, Chris Pustulka, Anna Hogan	**Site Reimbursement - NCA** Pat Mize, Chris Pustulka, Anna Hogan
Table 5	**SWOG QA** Laura Gonzales	**SWOG QA** Laura Gonzales	**SWOG QA** Laura Gonzales	**SWOG QA** Laura Gonzales
Table 6	**SWOG Specimens** Kae Tegtmeier Erin Grundy	**SWOG Specimens** Kae Tegtmeier Erin Grundy	**SWOG Specimens** Kae Tegtmeier Erin Grundy	**SWOG Specimens** Kae Tegtmeier Erin Grundy
Table 7	**CTSU Updates** Rachel Albershardt	**CTSU Updates** Rachel Albershardt	**CTSU Updates** Rachel Albershardt	**CTSU Updates** Rachel Albershardt
Table 8	**Serious Adverse Events** Dominique McReynolds	**Serious Adverse Events** Dominique McReynolds	**Serious Adverse Events** Dominique McReynolds	**Serious Adverse Events** Dominique McReynolds
Table 9	**Involvement of family members & friends in clinical trials: interpretation, confidentiality & consent for participants with Limited English Proficiency** Dacia Christin	**Involvement of family members & friends in clinical trials: interpretation, confidentiality & consent for participants with Limited English Proficiency** Dacia Christin		
Table 10	**Cytogenetics - Decoding Chromosomes** Dr. Min Fang Rose Ermete	**Cytogenetics - Decoding Chromosomes** Dr. Min Fang Rose Ermete	**Cytogenetics - Decoding Chromosomes** Dr. Min Fang Rose Ermete	**Cytogenetics - Decoding Chromosomes** Dr. Min Fang Rose Ermete
Table 11	**RECIST** Nichole Mahaffey	**RECIST** Nichole Mahaffey	**RECIST** Nichole Mahaffey	**RECIST** Nichole Mahaffey

Round Table Topics

SWOG Clinical Trial Partnership (CTP): SWOG Clinical Trials Partnerships is excited to share information about how sites can get involved in our soon to activate 21CTP.Leuk01 study or any of our other developing studies! We'll share an overview of the process from study announcement through site activation. We will provide details on what sites can expect from CTP trials related to communication, funding mechanisms, reporting systems, regulatory requirements and more. Table Facilitators: CTP Administration & Operations Team.

ORP Sub-Committees: Oncology Research Professionals (ORP) is a vast network of CRCs, research nurses, pharmacists, and data and regulatory coordinators. As such, it's important to have representation from the smallest community site to the largest NCORP consortium. It takes a village to ensure all patients have access to the best cancer research! Meet with ORP's membership committee members to see how you can get involved in ORP committees.

Veterans Affairs (VA): Research at the VA is dynamic but presents numerous unique challenges. There are heightened protections for VA study participants and often other logistical barriers to getting trials open and successfully enrolling. High variability in policy, priorities and staffing across VA sites also contributes to complexity. That said, we are always stronger and more effective when we work together. Come share site-level concerns with the hope that together, we can find positive working solutions and identify common barriers to tackle together. Table Facilitators: Leslie Weissenstein, Assistant Programs Manager & VA Program Manager, SWOG Operations Office, San Antonio, TX, and Caitlin Hutchinson, Clinical Research Manager, Oncology, Rocky Mountain Regional VAMC, University of Colorado.

Site Reimbursement/National Coverage Analyses (NCA): Members of the SWOG Funding team will be present to provide information on a variety of topics including financial agreements, payment reports, funding memos, and National Coverage Analyses (NCAs). If you have questions pertaining to how a study is funded and/or where your site's funding should be coming from, please drop by the SWOG Funding table and we will work to get those questions answered. Table Facilitators: Pat Mize, Grants and Contracts, SWOG Network Operations Center; and Chris Pustulka & Anna Hogan, Budget Analysts, SWOG Clinical Trials Partnerships (CTP).

SWOG QA: It's a new audit world out there! Sites and auditors now face new operational challenges. Learn common audit findings, how to prepare for remote audits and understand the "why" behind new processes and requirements. Bring your questions and ask the expert. Table Facilitator: Laura Gonzales, BSN, MA, RN, OCN, QA Manager, SWOG Operations Office, San Antonio, TX.

SWOG Specimens: Learn about best practices for submitting specimens to the SWOG Biobank, including common specimen submission issues and how to prevent them. Members from the SWOG Biobank will facilitate so bring any questions or challenges related to collecting, processing, or shipping specimens to the SWOG Biobank table! Table Facilitators: Kae Tegtmeier, Business and Project Development Director, and Erin Grundy, Biorepository Protocol Coordinator at Biopathology Center at The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, OH.

CTSU Updates: Join us to find out about recent updates to the Cancer Trials Support Unit (CTSU) public website, modernization of the Oncology Patient Enrollment Network (OPEN), and some tidbits that the CTSU Help Desk staff want you to know. If you have questions regarding any CTSU systems or integrations, please bring them by the CTSU table to discuss. Table Facilitator, Rachel Albershardt.

Serious Adverse Events (SAEs): Whether you're new to research or have been around for a while, SAEs can be confusing. Come learn from SWOG about best practices and reporting tips. Table Facilitator: Dominique McReynolds, BSN, RN, SAE Coordinator, SWOG Network Operations Center, San Antonio, TX.

Involvement of family members and friends in clinical trials: interpretation, confidentiality and consent for participants with Limited English Proficiency: Explore key issues around confidentiality and consent for clinical trial participants with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) who are accompanied by family members and friends. Topics include language brokering, ethical considerations, HIPPA, and use of interpreters (professional and non-professional). Language brokering is the use of friends, family members, or even children as interpreters for patients with LEP. You are also invited to bring your own experiences for further consideration and reflection. Table Facilitator: Dacia Christin, MPH from SWOG Statistical Center.

Cytogenetics – Decoding Chromosomes: A guide to interpreting cytogenetic reports. Samples of Cytogenetic reports will be available to review and interpret. The karyotype ISCN description and Nuc ISH will be discussed, along with how to identify mutations and complete cytogenetic forms in RAVE. Handouts will be available to refer to when reviewing cytogenetic reports, with a brief discussion of the various test used to analyze chromosomes and detect mutations. Table Facilitators: Min Fang, MD, PhD, FACMG & Rose Ermete, RN, BSN, OCN, CRN-BC, CCRP.

Response Criteria: Tips and Tricks for capturing response assessments compliantly. Discussion will include common sticking points for understanding response criteria, communication tips with outside departments, and lessons learned from audits. Nichole Mahaffey, Ph.D., CCRP Assistant Director of PRMS University of California Davis Health, Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Notes:

Handouts and supporting resources from the Open Forum session are available on the SWOG website at https://www.swog.org/spring-2025-oncology-research-professionals-resources or by scanning the QR code below.

I certify that I attended _____ hours of this meeting. The topics of the meeting contribute to the education and professional advancement in clinical research.

Signature_____ Date_____

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