



Health Sciences Library

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FACT SHEET

CLINICAL TRIALS

Clinicaltrials.gov provides patients, family members, health care professionals, and members of the public easy access to information on clinical trials for a wide range of diseases and conditions. The U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), through its National Library of Medicine (NLM), has developed this site in close collaboration with all NIH Institutes and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The site currently contains over 4,000 clinical studies sponsored primarily by the National Institutes of Health. During the coming year, additional studies from other Federal agencies and the pharmaceutical industry will be included. As new features and designs are developed, they will be incorporated into Clinicaltrials.gov. Check it often for updates.

ClinicalTrials.gov is being developed as a result of the FDA Modernization Act, which was passed into law in November, 1997. Section 113 of this Act requires the Department of Health and Human Services, through the NIH, to establish a registry of clinical trials for both federally and privately funded trials of experimental treatments for serious and life-threatening diseases and conditions.

The URL for this database is:

<http://www.clinicaltrials.gov>

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