ASCO-ACCC Site Interest Application (Pilot Project)

Thank you for your interest in this ASCO-ACCC initiative with the goal of improving how participation in cancer treatment trials reflects and involves the diversity of cancer populations. We are conducting a pilot project with research sites located in the United States to understand clinical trial site-, clinician-, and research staff-level factors that may impact screening and participation for cancer treatment trials. This initial phase is a pilot project focused on screening and participation outcomes for patients who are Black and/or Hispanic/Latinx. In subsequent efforts, ASCO and ACCC plan to modify the resources to address other underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, as well.

Note: For this pilot project, we are only planning to involve individual sites/locations for participation, rather than an entire research network. We prefer that research networks encourage individual sites to submit an application. ASCO and ACCC's goal is to involve a diverse group of over 40 research sites/locations.
Only one response is permitted per research site.

Before proceeding, please carefully review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. You can also find more information on our website.

By completing this Site Interest Application, you are applying to and confirming your research site's interest to participate in this initiative.

The ASCO-ACCC Steering Group will review all complete applications received. Selected sites and practices will comprise a mix of oncology research and practice settings, including small and large research sites, and community- and academic-based oncology programs from diverse regions across the United States. All complete applications will receive a response.

If you have any questions, please email Jen Hanley Williams at research@asco.org.

Note: After you begin the application you may exit and return, but you MUST do so from the same computer/IP address from which the application was started. Additionally, an application is considered INCOMPLETE if the Site Interest Statement and Site Letter of Support are not received at the time you submit the application. Refer to the FAQ document for more information.

* 1. Is your research site located in the United States?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

* 2. Does your practice currently conduct cancer treatment trials (i.e., trials involving anti-cancer treatments)?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

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COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS

* 3. In what type of area is your research site located?

- ◯ Urban (a town or city)
- ◯ Suburban (outlying district of a city)
- ◯ Rural (all other territory)

4. How do you define the geographic area or community from which your site draws patients?

* 5. To what extent does the racial and ethnic diversity of your patient population match the racial and ethnic diversity of the community in which your research site is located?

- ◯ To a great extent
- ◯ Somewhat
- ◯ Very little
- ◯ Not at all

6. Please describe any methods and/or data sources that your site uses to determine the racial and ethnic diversity of your "community". If you do not have a way to determine this information, please note that in the text box.

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SITE INTEREST

* 7. In which of the following components of the initiative would your research site like to participate? (Sites may elect to participate in one or both. Refer to FAQ document for additional detail.)

- **Site Self-Assessment Tool Pilot Study**
  The Site Self-Assessment Tool is intended to help research sites conduct an internal assessment of primarily structural and procedural factors that may impact patient screening and participation in clinical trials. The tool has 3 steps that will be completed with consultation among research team members. Sites will be asked to complete the tool, provide feedback about its feasibility and utility, and make recommendation for enhancements. In total, the tool pilot study will take approximately 1 to 2 hours of a site's time, depending on how readily available the data are for entry.

- **Implicit Bias Training Program Pilot Study**
  The Training Program will feature two primary components – a curriculum-based program, including a virtual convening (for all participants), as well as an interventional exercise (for a randomly selected cohort). Training will be delivered over the course of 4 months with a total time commitment of 4 to 5 hours for individual participants. Sites will be asked to identify at least one participant to participate in the Training Program.

- **Both of the above**

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SITE CHARACTERISTICS

* 8. What is the name of your organization?

* 9. Where is your research site located?

City/Town

State -- select state --

ZIP Code

County

* 10. On average, how many new patients with cancer does your clinical practice serve each year?

Consider the annual average over the previous 3 years, since 2020 may have been unusual.

* 11. Approximately what percentages of patients served by your clinical practice are from the following racial categories.

Your best estimate is fine. The total must equal 100.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

White

Other Racial Categories

Unknown

* 12. Approximately what percentage of patients served by your clinical practice are of Hispanic or Latinx ethnicity?

If you have information for people who are Hispanic or Latinx and not White, please provide that information, as well.

Hispanic or Latinx (total, regardless of race)

Non-White, Hispanic or Latinx

Unknown

* 13. Which of the following best describes the practice setting of your research site?

Please select the one option that best aligns with your clinical practice and research program.

- ◯ Comprehensive Community Cancer Program (CCCP)
- ◯ Community Cancer Program (CCP)
- ◯ Veterans Affairs Cancer Program (VACP)
- ◯ Physician-owned practice (i.e., independent, office-based)
- ◯ Practice owned by hospital or health system
  (including academic medical centers, government-funded institutions, and integrated healthcare systems)
- ◯ Other (please specify)

* 14. Does your practice setting include a hematology/oncology or medical oncology fellowship program?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

* 15. Does your research site have any of the following NCI designations?

- ☐ NCI Community Oncology Research Program (NCORP) Site
- ☐ Minority-Underserved NCORP Site
- ☐ NCI-Designated Cancer Center
- ☐ NCI-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Center
- ☐ None of the above

* 16. Is your practice part of or affiliated with any of these research networks?

- ☐ US Oncology
- ☐ OneOncology Research Network (OneR)
- ☐ Sarah Cannon
- ☐ NCI Clinical Trials Network Group
- ☐ Other Research Network (please specify)
- ☐ No, our site is not part of a research network

* 17. How many of the following position/roles do you currently have at your research site?

Your best estimate is fine.

Investigators

Dedicated Research Staff

Other Staff Involved in Research (i.e., who do not work on research exclusively)

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CANCER TREATMENT TRIALS

The following questions ask about cancer treatment trials conducted at your site. By this we mean trials involving anti-cancer treatments, as opposed to symptom management, prevention, and natural history studies.

* 18. On average, how many participants does your site enroll each year on cancer treatment trials?

Consider the annual average enrolled onto trials over the previous 3 years.

* 19. Approximately how many NCI-funded cancer treatment trials does your site currently have open for accrual?

Consider typical number of trials open at your site prior to March 2020, if the COVID-19 pandemic has caused unusual circumstances.

- ◯ N/A (site does not participate in NCI-funded trials)
- ◯ 0 (no NCI-funded trials are currently open for accrual)
- ◯ 10 or fewer
- ◯ 11 to 20
- ◯ 21 to 30
- ◯ 31 or more

* 20. Approximately how many industry-sponsored cancer treatment trials does your site currently have open for accrual?

Consider typical number of trials open at your site prior to March 2020, if the COVID-19 pandemic has caused unusual circumstances.

- ◯ N/A (site does not participate in industry-sponsored trials)
- ◯ 0 (no industry-sponsored trials are currently open for accrual)
- ◯ 10 or fewer
- ◯ 11 to 20
- ◯ 21 to 30
- ◯ 31 or more

* 21. Will your site be able to provide data from 2019 and 2020 on the following?

TOTAL NUMBER OF PATIENTS:

	YES	NO
Screened for a cancer treatment trial (i.e., in general or for specific trials)	◯	◯
Qualified for a cancer treatment trial (i.e., met eligibility criteria)	◯	◯
Offered a cancer treatment trial (i.e., trial was discussed)	◯	◯
Participated in a cancer treatment trial (i.e., consented to participate)	◯	◯

If you responded "NO" to any of the above, please explain why.

SITE CONTACT INFORMATION

* 22. Primary Point of Contact

The Primary Point of Contact is the individual who is responsible for coordinating the site's completion of the ASCO-ACCC project. This individual may be the site's Practice Research Administrator/Director. They will be contacted by ASCO-ACCC staff with information about the initiative and next steps. They will be expected to facilitate data collection at the site, as well as identification of staff to complete the training program.

Name

Title

Credentials (Degrees, etc.)

Email

* 23. Clinician Research Champion

The Clinician Research Champion is an investigator at the site who is committed to increasing racial and ethnic diversity in cancer treatment trials. The individual is responsible for overseeing the completion of the ASCO-ACCC project at the site.

Name

Title

Credentials (Degrees, etc.)

Email

ASCO AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CLINICAL ONCOLOGY KNOWLEDGE CONQUERS CANCER ACCC Association of Community Cancer Centers

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IRB REQUIREMENTS

* 24. Will your site require local IRB review?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Comments

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FORMS TO SUBMIT

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

* 25. Please describe why your research site is interested and ideal to select to participate in this initiative.

The Statement of Interest may be up to 500 words.

LETTER OF SUPPORT

* 26. **Please upload your letter of support below.**

The letter will be typically addressed to the Clinician Research Champion and Practice Research Administrator (primary point of contact for the pilot project) and signed by a person at the site in a leadership role, such as the Chief Medical Officer. The letter should convey organizational support and commitment to participating in the project. A sample Letter of Support is provided for reference, but applicants are encouraged to customize the language. Refer to the FAQ document for more information.

Choose File Choose File No file chosen

SITE AGREEMENT

ASCO and ACCC are providing access to the ASCO-ACCC Pilot Project Site Agreement template to enable interested sites to expedite the review and agreement execution process. You do NOT have to sign the agreement at the time of Site Interest Application submission.

Please be prepared to execute a Site Agreement **within 3 weeks** from the date you are notified by ASCO and ACCC that your site has been selected for participation in the ASCO-ACCC pilot project.

Download here

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27. Please share any additional comments below.