

# CLINICAL TRIALS

## 5 ANSWERS TO KNOW

**1. Every treatment we have today was first tested in a clinical trial.**

Clinical trials explore new ways to find and treat disease. These studies add to our knowledge about cancer and help improve care for people now and in the future.

**2. Clinical trials may provide access to new treatments.**

Patients may get drugs or treatments not yet available to everyone. These might have better results than the current best standard treatments.

**3. Patient safety is top priority.**

Every clinical trial has an in-depth safety review by a team of doctors before patients can join. Patients are watched very closely and their safety is always our top priority. The care team will share any possible risks or side effects.

**4. Most costs are covered by health insurance or the study sponsor.**

Clinical trials are not free. Much of the cost is covered by insurance or the study sponsor. Each trial is different, so cost information will be provided to you by your care team.

**5. Participation is completely voluntary.**

Talk to your doctor to see if a clinical trial is a good option for you. Participating is always your choice, and you can leave at any time for any reason.

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## EXPLORE **MORE**

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**ASK** your doctor or nurse about clinical trials that might be right for you.

**CONNECT** with others who have participated in cancer research to hear their experiences.

**LEARN** more by contacting the Cancer Learning Center. This free resource is available to everyone. Cancer information specialists help find local and national resources:

**1-888-424-2100**

**[cancerinfo@hci.utah.edu](mailto:cancerinfo@hci.utah.edu)**

**[huntsmancancer.org/clc](https://huntsmancancer.org/clc)**

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