## **Updates to Improve Your Research**

#### Returning to Research: CCTS & the UAB OVPR Host Reentry Conversations

UAB leadership offered opportunities to chat about the return to research during "Morning Coffee" and "Afternoon Tea" discussions. Review the FAQs from the sessions **here**. Below is an example of what that list includes:

Who pays for the COVID-19 testing required for human subjects research participation? There are a number of mechanisms by which a participant may have his/her COVID-19 test covered to forego any out-of-pocket cost which includes one's insurance, Jefferson County Department of Health, the CARES Act, FEMA, and others. Your research coordinator may be able to provide you with additional information.

## OnCore: Helpful Tips for Managing Your Trial Data

This section includes updates for getting the most out of OnCore, and showcases achievements of study teams and OnCore users. Have an OnCore question? Email us at oncore@uabmc.edu or call the help desk at 934-8888.

#### \* General reminder: review all listed trials and update their status.

**NEW COVID-19 Response Option:** You can now list "COVIDPandemic" as a response option to Protocol and Subject status. This will improve protocol and subject tracking.

**Update to the NCT Number Field:** The NCT number is an important field as it flows from OnCore to the billing office via the CTBN. To provide a clearer description to all users, "NA" or "na" can now be entered for studies that will never have an assigned NCT number.

Marking "Reason Not Eligible" in Eligibility tab: It is important to enter the "Reason Not Eligible" and "Eligibility Comments" fields after a subject is marked Not Eligible as these fields appear in the new Ineligible Subjects Report. This report can be an easy way to pull screen failure data for individual protocols or for multiple protocols within your area.

# **Upcoming Events:**

- I-Corps Lean Startup: Building a Business Model for your Research 7/15/20
   I-Corps @ UAB provides the infrastructure, resources, advice, networking opportunities, training, and funding for motivated entrepreneurs to develop effective solutions to customer problems. Learn more.
- Keep up with OnCore & Clinical Research Support Program training opportunities on the CCTS Upcoming Events page.

## On the Up & Up:



"I had been working remotely since March, trying to do a job that was almost impossible to do without face-to-face interaction, and quarantine was taking a toll on my mental and physical health. On June 9th, I was placed on an assignment for COVID-19 research, enrolling subjects and interacting with people again. Since being back at work, not only have my days been better, but I have already been able to enroll 37 new participants and collect specimens for study. It has been great to slowly move back in the direction of "normal", or the new way of doing things for now."

- Wanda Hall, CCMA, CCTS Clinical Trials Administrator

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