Randomized Trial to Prevent Vascular Events in HIV

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Site Spotlight: Greensboro CRS (site 3202)
The Greensboro CRS, located in Greensboro, North Carolina, USA has been a tremendous contributor to REPRIEVE!

This team prioritizes their retention efforts in many ways, below are a few tips they shared with us.

1. We understand that life is busy for our participants and convenience is something that we strive to provide to participants by offering early morning or late afternoon visits to accommodate their work schedules. In addition, we conveniently schedule research appointments on the same day as their clinic visits.

2. We treat participants like they are our family—with genuine respect and empathy and as a direct result, we have fostered tight-knit and trustworthy relationships with all of our participants.

3. We always reach out monthly and send kind and thoughtful birthday cards and thank you notes to all of our participants so they are aware of our appreciation.

4. We have utilized the study-provided "swag" to also show participants a token of our appreciation.

Thank you, Greensboro team, for all your efforts and for sharing your retention tips!

Retention Tip of the Month

Visit Scheduling Flexibility is Important

When scheduling REPRIEVE study visits with participants:

1. Be flexible, allow early morning or evening appointments.*
2. Coordinate study visits with the participant's clinic visits.*
The majority of REPRIEVE Retention Champions identified visit scheduling flexibility and coordinating study visits with clinic visits as current on-site retention strategies; data shows that these strategies are effective.

Remember, study participants are volunteering their time to participate in REPRIEVE in addition to working full-time jobs, managing day-to-day tasks, as well as additional visits with health care providers. It goes a long way with participants when sites make an effort to coordinate REPRIEVE visits with already scheduled clinic visits. This helps minimize travel time and costs, and time away from work and other commitments.

Additionally, in an effort to minimize time away from work, many sites offer early morning or evening study appointments and find this practice very well-received among participants.

*Please note we recognize not all sites have the ability to offer early morning or evening appointments, or coordinate study and clinic visits, but if you do and aren't already doing this your site team may want to consider these tips.

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**Who's Who on the REPRIEVE Team?**

**Meet Nada Saleh!**

Nada recently joined the ACTG team as a Clinical Trials Specialist (CTS). Her role involves providing support to the REPRIEVE leadership team and facilitating the implementation of REPRIEVE. She is also a liaison for sites, ensuring that up to date protocol materials are available for site investigators and staff on the Protocol Specific Web Page.

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**Schedule a REPRIEVE Ambassador Visit!**

Do you have a specific question about the REPRIEVE protocol, have new site staff, or just want to speak with a member of the Clinical Coordinating Center (CCC)? If so, reach out to the CCC and schedule a (virtual) Ambassador Visit, even if your site has already had one.

These visits are an opportunity to have a friendly informal discussion with a member from the CCC team. We can review the new and updated COVID CRFs, vital status and endpoint assessment, adjudicated events, as well as ways the CCC can support your site's retention efforts. We can also cover other topics or questions that your team would like us to address.
If you would like to meet with a member of the CCC, even if you have already had a meeting, please email Evelynne at efulda@mgh.harvard.edu.

Is your site scheduled to ship specimens to BRI during the holidays?

If your site is scheduled to ship during the last part of November or December, or the beginning of January, please consider delaying your shipment to avoid issues with couriers due to increased holiday shipping.

If you anticipate delaying your shipment, please make arrangements with the Repository manager at BRI to ship on another date by emailing brirepository@afbr-bri.com.

A Note about Missed Visits

We would like to remind sites that if a participant misses 3 or more consecutive visits, site staff should make every effort to obtain ‘other’ contact, including a chart review.

Data from this chart review can be keyed in the CRFs for the missed visit in OpenClinica.

Use the guidance and tracking tool provided in Appendix V of the REPRIEVE MOPs for remote/other contact data collection. Additional guidance on remote data collection can be found in section 4.3 of the MOPs.

REPRIEVE in the News!!!

In case you missed it, a summary of the article from the Mechanistic Substudy of REPRIEVE (A5333s), Assessment of Coronary Artery Disease with Computed Tomography Angiography and Inflammatory and Immune Activation Biomarkers Among Adults Eligible for Cardiovascular Prevention was recently featured in MedPage, click here to read the summary!
Save the Date Next Team/Site Call!
January 18th 1PM EDT

Join us for important REPRIEVE updates!

1:00 PM HAITI (EDT)
1:00 PM PERU (PET)
2:00 PM PUERTO RICO (ADT)
3:00 PM BRAZIL (BRT)
8:00 PM BOTSWANA (CAT)***
8:00 PM SOUTH AFRICA (SAST)***
8:00 PM ZIMBABWE (CAT)***
9:00 PM UGANDA (EAT)***
11:30 PM INDIA (IST)***
1:00 AM 01/20/2021 THAILAND (ICT)***

***We do not expect site staff to join these calls during their off-work hours. Instead we will update you on other scheduled calls, e.g., your calls with the ACTG NCC.

Remember that questions are always welcome at actg.corea5332@fstrf.org and if there are slides used for a call, they are available on the PSWP in the Protocol Training >> Site Calls folder.

REPRIEVE (A5332): Are you up to date?
For A5332 please use:

Protocol Version 5.0 dated 04/01/2019
Version 5.0, Clarification Memo 1 dated 04/03/2020
Version 5.0, Clarification Memo 2 dated 05/04/2020
Version 5.0, Letter of Amendment 1 dated 06/19/2020
Version 5.0, Letter of Amendment 2 dated 12/14/2020
MOPS Version 5.0 dated 09/13/2021
LPC for ACTG Sites Version 5.0 dated 05/04/2020
LPC for Non-ACTG Sites Version 5.0 dated 05/04/2020

These documents are on the A5332 PSWP

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