

Clinical Trials | QUESTIONS TO ASK

Don't hesitate to ask questions. Talk to your doctor, research nurse, and the rest of the research team. You might want to print this list of questions and take it with you to your next appointment. You can also use it to help you think about the types of questions you might want to ask.

In general, the questions you'll want to ask are similar to those you might ask your doctor about *any* treatment they want to give you.

Wondering whether a trial might be right for you?

- What are my treatment options?
- How will these options impact my ability to join a clinical trial later?
- Am I a candidate for a clinical trial?
- If I participate in a clinical trial, will I need to go somewhere else to be treated?
- Am I limited to trials offered by this institution?
- Would you still be my doctor?
- Do you know of any clinical trials that would be appropriate for me?
- If you were me, knowing what you know, would you join a trial?

Thinking of joining a particular trial recommended by your doctor?

- How does this treatment work?
- What will my participation entail?
- What are the possible benefits?
- What are the side effects?
- If I weren't in this trial, what treatment would you recommend for me?
- Do you think that what's being offered in the clinical trial is as good or better than what you'd offer me if I decide not to participate in the trial?
- Would you still be my doctor?
- Would I need to travel anywhere?
- What will my costs be?
- Is there financial assistance available?
- If you were me, knowing what you know, would you join this trial?
- Will participating in this trial impact future treatment decisions?
- What tests are required before joining the trial?
- Is there anything I need to do before we start?