



## Introduction

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) would like to know about your experiences with the National Clinical Trials Network (NCTN).

Your input will help NCI assess and refine the NCTN processes and identify areas for improvement.

The survey will ask questions about NCTN structure, processes, and goals. It should take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

Your responses will be kept private to the extent of the law and will be reported in the aggregate. Your participation in this survey and your responses will have no bearing on your NCTN participation or your future interactions with NCI. No personally identifying information will be collected. We truly appreciate your honest input about your experiences with the NCTN.

Thank you for your assistance!

To continue and begin the survey, click the "Next" button below.

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## Demographic Information

1. Which NCTN group(s) are you affiliated with? (select all that apply)

- Alliance
- COG
- ECOG-ACRIN
- NRG
- SWOG
- CCTG

2. What best describes your role(s) in the NCTN? (select all that apply)

- Group Leadership – Key Personnel
- Group Study PI (Principal Investigator)
- Group Committee Chair
- Group Operations
- Group Statistics & Data Management
- Group Member or Site PI
- LAPS PI
- NCORP PI
- Other (please specify)

3. What best describes your area of expertise? (select one)

- Medical oncology
- Surgical oncology
- Radiation oncology
- Gynecologic oncology
- Pediatric oncology
- Nursing
- Clinical research administration
- Statistics and data management
- Not applicable
- Other (please specify)

4. What disease area best describes your area of medical expertise? (select one)

- Brain malignancies
- Breast cancer
- Gastrointestinal cancers
- Genitourinary cancers
- Gynecologic cancers
- Head and neck cancers
- Hematologic cancers (adult)
- Hematologic cancers (pediatric)
- Pediatric solid tumors
- Thoracic malignancies
- Not applicable
- Other (please specify)

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## Accomplishment of NCTN Goals and Overall Satisfaction with the NCTN

5. What is your overall satisfaction with the NCTN?

Very Unsatisfied (1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	Very Satisfied (10)
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. Overall, how satisfied are you with the degree to which the NCTN is achieving the following goals?

	Unsatisfactory - Needs Significant Improvement	Does Not Meet Expectations - Needs Some Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	N/A
Incorporation of innovative science, including precision medicine components	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration across medical specialties and disciplines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration across NCTN Groups	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enrollment and retention of diverse patient populations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Efficient activation of trials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Efficient completion of trials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Development opportunities for young investigators	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. What changes to the NCTN program do you think would significantly help improve collaboration across NCTN Groups?

8. What changes to the NCTN program do you think would significantly help improve enrollment and/or retention of diverse patient populations?

9. For any other items above that you thought needed improvement, what improvements or changes would you like to see?

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## Satisfaction with NCTN Services, Programs, and Trials

10. Overall, how satisfied are you with the following centralized services and administrative aspects of the NCTN?

	Unsatisfactory – Needs Significant Improvement	Does Not Meet Expectations – Needs Some Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	N/A
Cancer Trials Support Unit (CTSU)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Central IRB (CIRB)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Proportion of funding for accrual	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Proportion of funding for the collection of biospecimens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Proportion of funding for correlative science studies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

For any items above that you thought needed improvement, what improvements or changes would you like to see?

11. Overall, how satisfied are you with the following programs within the NCTN?

	Unsatisfactory – Needs Significant Improvement	Does Not Meet Expectations – Needs Some Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	N/A
Imaging and Radiation Oncology Core (IROC)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NCTN Biospecimen Banks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lead Academic Participating Sites (LAPS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

For any items above that you thought needed improvement, what improvements or changes would you like to see?

12. Overall, how satisfied are you with the following aspects of the NCTN menu of trials?

	Unsatisfactory – Needs Significant Improvement	Does Not Meet Expectations – Needs Some Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	N/A
Number of NCTN trials available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Portfolio of NCTN trials available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Number of NCTN trials for adolescents and young adults (AYAs) available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

For any items above that you thought needed improvement, what improvements or changes would you like to see?



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## Use of New Processes for the Conduct of NCTN Clinical Trials

NCI CTEP provided guidance and modifications for the conduct of NCTN clinical trials during the COVID-19 pandemic. Some of these modifications will continue as permanent new processes. We would like to know whether your site will use these new processes, and if so, how useful you think the new processes are.

13. For each of the following new processes, does your site plan to continue to use the new process? If so, how useful do you think the new process is for the conduct of NCTN trials at your site?

	No. My site does not plan to continue to use this process.	Yes. My site plans to continue to use this process. It is <b>Not at All Useful</b>	Yes. My site plans to continue to use this process. It is <b>Somewhat Useful</b>	Yes. My site plans to continue to use this process. It is <b>Very Useful</b>	Not Applicable (N/A) or Don't Know
Shipping CTEP IND oral agents from your site to patients	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Remote consent	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Remote auditing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Telehealth for NCTN study visits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working with local healthcare providers to perform certain NCTN study activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Allowing Advanced Practice Providers to authorize study agent orders on NCTN trials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What changes to the NCTN program do you think would significantly help the efficient and effective conduct of NCTN trials at your site?

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## Efforts to Broaden Eligibility Criteria in NCTN Trials

NCI CTEP is working to broaden eligibility in NCTN trials (see [https://ctep.cancer.gov/protocolDevelopment/docs/CTEP\\_Broadened\\_Eligibility\\_Criteria\\_Guidance.pdf](https://ctep.cancer.gov/protocolDevelopment/docs/CTEP_Broadened_Eligibility_Criteria_Guidance.pdf) for more information). We would like to know which of the categories of broadened eligibility criteria you think have the potential to have the greatest impact in NCTN trials.

14. Which of the following categories of broadened eligibility criteria do you think will have the greatest impact?

	Not at All Useful	Somewhat Useful	Very Useful	Not Applicable (N/A) or Don't Know
Treated/stable brain metastases	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
New/progressive brain metastases	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HIV, HBV, and HCV infection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prior/concurrent malignancies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Organ function: cardiac, liver, and kidney	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Washout periods	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Concomitant medications	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prior therapies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Laboratory reference ranges and test intervals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Performance status	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Psychiatric illness/social situations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What, if any, additional improvements or changes would you like to see in the broadening eligibility efforts in the NCTN?

## Final Thoughts

15. What, if any, improvements or changes would you like to see in the NCTN that you did not describe previously?

Thank you for providing your feedback about the NCTN program!  
We appreciate your help.

Please hit the "Submit" button below to submit your answers.

If you would like to provide any additional information, please email us at  
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