

CLINICAL TRIAL SAFETY

Your Safety in a Clinical Trial

When you join a clinical trial, your health and well-being come first. Every study is designed with strict protections to keep you safe while helping researchers discover better treatments. Here's how your safety is supported:

Before a Trial Begins



Independent Review

Every trial must be approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Ethics Committee — groups of doctors, scientists, and community members who make sure the study is ethical and respectful.



Strict Standards

Trials must follow national and international safety rules and are regulated by agencies like the FDA.

Protecting Your Privacy

Confidential Information

Your personal health information stays private and is only shared with authorized trial staff.

Secure Systems

Research teams use encrypted, secure systems to store and protect your data.

While You're in the Trial



Regular Monitoring

Study doctors and staff check in with you often — through visits, tests, and conversations — to track your health and quickly address any side effects.



Safety Oversight

Many studies have an independent Data and Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) that reviews safety information throughout the trial.



Quick Action

If any new risks appear, or if something affects your health, the team will act immediately to keep you safe.

• What This Means for You •

By taking part in a clinical trial, you're helping move research forward and may access promising new treatments — all while being supported by a team that is committed to your safety and your rights at every step.