

CLINICAL TRIALS: Questions to ask your doctor

Clinical trials are studies designed to test the safety and effectiveness of ways to prevent, detect or treat disease. People volunteer to join these studies. Clinical trials are a great way to try a new, potentially better treatment as well as a way to help cancer research. Today, because of the brave women and men who have been a part of breast cancer clinical trials, we have better ways to screen, diagnose and treat breast cancer. Answers to the questions below can help you gather information on clinical trials so that you can make the right choices for you.

Q: What are the types of clinical trials?

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Q: How could I learn more about breast cancer prevention trials?

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Q: What is informed consent?

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Q: What else do I need to know about before I enroll in a clinical trial?

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If you have breast cancer, ask the following:

Q: Is there a clinical trial that you would suggest for me? If so, why and how long is the trial?

A:

Q: How can I find out more about this trial?

A:

Q: Where would I need to go to be part of the trial?

A:

Q: What are the pros and cons of this trial?

A:

Q: What is a placebo? Will I get a placebo?

A:

Q: What is the cost of the trial? Does insurance cover trials? Is there financial aid available?

A:

Q: Who can help me find a trial that is right for me?

A: