



# TIN Overview & Getting Started A guide for investigators

#### What is the Trial Innovation Network?

The Trial Innovation Network (TIN) is a collaborative initiative available to all investigators at the 60+ hubs in the national CTSA network. The vision of the TIN is to innovatively address critical roadblocks in clinical research and accelerate the translation of novel interventions into life-saving therapies.

The TIN focuses on operational innovation, operational excellence and collaboration, and will leverage the expertise and resources of the CTSA Program.

## Three reasons why you should utilize the TIN

- 1) **Competitive Advantage:** The TIN helps to improve the multi-center study process by leveraging the national CTSA network and taking advantage of established infrastructure.
- 2) **Focus on Science:** The TIN provides expert logistical assistance and draws on proven strategies for success, which allows you to focus on the science.
- 3) Large Scale Collaboration: The TIN connects you and your team with relevant experts, works in partnership with other NIH Institutes and Centers, and provides access to the entire CTSA network.

### The Details that Matter for Multi-Center Success

The Trial Innovation Centers

The three Trial Innovation Centers (TICs) are managed by Duke and Vanderbilt, Johns Hopkins and Tufts, and the University of Utah. They provide support in the areas of:

- · Protocol development,
- Regulatory agreements,
- Data coordination & management, and
- Data safety & monitoring.

## **Recruitment Innovation Center**

The Recruitment Innovation Center (RIC) is hosted at Vanderbilt and is an evidence-based center in innovative trial recruitment and retention methods, tools and strategies. The RIC provides support with:

- EHR-Based cohort assessments,
- Community engagement studios,
- Recruitment planning and feasibility assessment,
- Recruitment materials, and
- EHR-based cohort assessment.

Learn more about the TIN @ www.trialinnovationnetwork.org

## **Getting started with the TIN** at [insert CTSA institution name here]

## What makes a good TIN submission?

- A multi-site clinical trial design (3+ institutions)
- Potential to demonstrate an innovative operational approach
- Opportunity to foster collaboration across the CTSA and NIH ICs
- Includes all populations affected by the health condition being studied
- Time to react to support prior to grant submission (ideally 150+ days)

## How do I submit a proposal to the TIN?

- Connect with your CTSA TIN Liaison
   Your liaison will connect you with local CTSA resources and resources from the TIN
- 2. CTSA Leadership Review

  Your liaison will help arrange a meeting with the local CTSA leadership to review your project
- 3. Complete the TIN online application
  Within 5 business days, you will be assigned to a TIC and/or RIC to arrange an initial consultation

#### <Hub Liaison Team URL>



### What happens after my TIN Submission?

### Within 5 Business Days:

Your submission will be reviewed and you will be paired with the appropriate TIC or RIC.

#### Within One Month:

You will have an initial consultation with experts who will provide opportunities to explore and leverage the TIN's expertise. This often includes a kick-off call and then topic specific discussions, as needed. After the initial consultation, the TIN will review and determine that no further support is needed, approve additional resources, or continue with a comprehensive consultation.

#### In 2-3 Months:

If your project was approved for additional resources, you will begin discussions and develop an implementation plan of the approved resources. If the TIN continued with a comprehensive consultation, you will receive guidance for proposal preparation before submitting to funders.

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