

## Activities

- The NCG Adaptive Health Technology Assessment Process and Methods Guide 2022, was released online in May 2022 and is available on NCG website. The process guide provides the details of adaptive health technology assessment being followed for cost-effectiveness assessment by the National Cancer Grid.
- Access here - [https://tmc.gov.in/ncg/docs/pdf/AHTA%20process%20guide%20v2.0\\_final.pdf](https://tmc.gov.in/ncg/docs/pdf/AHTA%20process%20guide%20v2.0_final.pdf).

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- Quality Improvement Methodology, NCG QI Hub - EQUIP (Enable Quality, Improve Patient care), Project ECHO in collaboration with Stanford University, has been initiated on 18 May 2022.

Dear Members,

Welcome back to the another issue of NCG Newsletter. We hope you are enjoying looking at the updates from NCG. The past issue gave an in-depth information about EQAS program and how to participate. This issue gives you an overall update on NCG activities in past 6 months.

### NEW MEMBERS

#### National

- Institute of Medical Sciences and SUM hospital, Bhubaneswar
- Karkinos Healthcare Centre, Mumbai
- Karkinos Healthcare Private Limited, Mumbai
- Krupamayi Hospitals, Aurangabad
- Madras Medical College, Chennai
- Mohandai Oswal Hospital, Punjab
- Nanavati Max Institute of Cancer Care, Mumbai
- Narayana Superspecialty Hospital, Gurugram
- Reliance Hospital Cancer Care, Akola
- Reliance Hospital Cancer Care, Gondia
- Reliance Hospital Cancer Care, Solapur

- Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi
- Specialty Surgical Oncological Hospital, Mumbai
- Starlit Cancer Centre, Ahmedabad
- Vardhman Mahavir Medical College & Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi

#### International

- Nepal Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Nepal

## RESEARCH

At present 12 multi centric investigator initiated research projects are funded through National Cancer Grid.

In addition to funding the trials, NCG actively monitors all the trial related activities through NCG CRO.

NCG CRO was conceptualized in 2016-17 and formally established on 01-Sep-2017 with an intention of monitoring the NCG funded studies at the various National Cancer Grid centres. Monitoring is an act of overseeing the progress of a clinical trial and of ensuring that it is conducted, recorded, reported in accordance with the protocol, applicable SOPs, GCP and regulatory requirements. Study monitoring by trained and qualified study site monitors is an important QC measure.

### NCG CRO team over the years:

Designations	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Project Manager	-	-	01	01	01	01
CRA	02	04	04	05	04	03
CTA	02	02	-	-	01	01
Total Manpower	04	06	05	07	06	05

The details of the monitoring conducted by the CRO over the years are presented below:

Study Categories	Onsite	Remote	Total
NCG funded	118	31	149
NCG supported	16	04	20
Investigator request	07	00	07
Total	151	31	186

### Support for site start up activities:

Apart from the core monitoring activity, the CRO personnel have extended support to Investigators at TMC with site selection, IEC-regulatory submissions, execution of site agreements, and procurement of insurance policy for the trial etc. Another focus of the CRO has been training.

Activities	IEC submission	CTRI registration	HMSC submission	Site start up activities	Site selection
Support offered for the number of studies	14	10	10	04	03

## Training conducted by NCG CRO personnel since 2017:

1. TMH GCP Workshop-Nov 2018, 2019, Jan 2020, April 2021
2. GCP workshop at BCCI-Guwahati
3. GCP workshop-B L Walavalkar Hospital-Dervan
4. GCP workshop-BARC Hospital
5. Training of IECs on NDCT Rules 2019
6. MSc lectures on various GCP related topics for 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2021 batches
11. Training for BIARC team on CRS/IEC SOPs and various Clinical Research related topics.

## Education – E-learning Portal

Since the launch of the NCG E-Learning Portal(ncgeducation.in) in the year 2019, we are successfully running 18 courses. In the year 2021 we launched 5 courses. The courses are:

- IMPACT H N – This course is a learning resource for professionals who care for patients affected with cancers of the Head and Neck. The objective of this program is to facilitate the delivery of comprehensive, empathetic, and proportionate oncological care.  
Coordinator: Dr. Nandini Vallath and others  
Link for the course: <https://ncgeducation.in/course/view.php?id=56>
- Masterclass IMPACT H N 2021 – It is a four-day intensive Masterclass of IMPaCT HN. This course is designed to ensure practice skills to treat patients comprehensively and alleviate their health-related suffering across the care-continuum.  
Coordinator: Dr. Nandini Vallath and others  
Link for the course: <https://ncgeducation.in/course/view.php?id=61>
- EQUiP India - The participants of this course will complete a self-selected project using quality improvement tools, under the guidance of experienced international and national mentors.  
Coordinator: Dr Nandini Vallath and others  
Link for the course: <https://ncgeducation.in/course/view.php?id=33>
- Medical Physics Online Course – Headed by: Dr Santam Chakraborty  
Link for the course: <https://ncgeducation.in/course/view.php?id=50>
- NCG CTN - The aim of this training course is to create awareness of all aspects related to conduct of Clinical Research in line with all national guidelines and regulations and international guidelines. This course, therefore, contains modules related to regulations, guidelines, and roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders in clinical research. Every team member who participates in the conduct of clinical research should attend this course. Investigators, Clinical Research Coordinators, Research Pharmacists, Research Nurses, Data Entry Operators, and Statisticians at all the CTN sites should attend this training course.  
Coordinators: Dr. Durga Gadgil , Dr. Manju Sengar  
Link for the course: <https://ncgeducation.in/course/view.php?id=58>
- **The link <https://ncgeducation.in/mod/page/view.php?id=217&forceview=1> is there to help you to access the site and login.**  
**For any technical help you can contact: [rinisha.tmc@gmail.com](mailto:rinisha.tmc@gmail.com)**

## Information services

- The library conducted information search and retrieved documents to support creation of systematic reviews
- The library received many manuscripts for similarity checks
- 2021 - about 345 documents received from various centres,
- 2022 (Jan – May) – similarity checks for about 320 documents were conducted

## APPEAL

In the next issue we would like to dedicate a separate column for members. “News from Members” Share activities related to NCG mandate at your centre, and /or announcements of upcoming events, achievements of centres, and similar matters. We will be pleased to publish these in our next issue of e-newsletter.

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We request all the members to submit/update all membership Annexures ( I, II, III ) and forward these to - [ncg@tmc.gov.in](mailto:ncg@tmc.gov.in)

Annexures are available at <https://tmc.gov.in/ncg/index.php/ncg-members/become-a-ncg-member>