



Clinical trial registration: What we know and how to register

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Objectives

- Define what a clinical trial registry is
- Why register a clinical trial?
- Understand the role of the available registries for South Africa and Africa
- How to register a clinical trial in the South African National Clinical Trials Registry (SANCTR) and the Pan African Clinical Trials Registry (PACTR)

Brief description of content

This session will consist of an interactive illustrated lecture on clinical trials registry. We will unpack the importance and role of the clinical trial registries available for South African and African studies. The session will provide tips for researchers to use to ensure successful trial registration.

Readings / Resources

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