



The ONLY conference for the clinical teams, meeting planners, and solution providers that collaborate to bring engaging investigator meetings to fruition.

Maximizing Investigator MEETINGS

May 17–18, 2018

Sheraton Philadelphia University City
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

- ▶ Cultivate a team atmosphere through productive dialogue between the sites and sponsors

VENDOR MANAGEMENT

- ▶ Collaborate effectively with your CRO and meeting-planning vendor to build seamless investigator meetings

MEETING STRATEGIES

- ▶ Create innovative meeting structures and employ adult learning principals to increase participation and engagement

TECHNOLOGY

- ▶ Utilize digital technologies and second screens to increase investigator participation and engagement with the clinical team

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Dear Colleague,

Investigator meetings are essential to successfully train clinical sites as they directly affect a sponsor's ability to collect accurate safety and efficacy data. A well-executed investigator meeting cultivates a crucial team atmosphere and is an opportunity for sites and sponsors to discuss the protocol, regulatory issues, enrollment criteria, and procedures. Having the opportunity to discuss protocol-specific subjects directly with the sponsor is of great value for clinical sites.

It is important to communicate all essential information in the most time-efficient and engaging manner. Expert collaboration between the sponsor's clinical teams, meeting professionals, and vendors is required to execute productive and enjoyable investigator meetings.

Investigator buy-in on the study objectives and well-trained clinical sites, confident in their ability to conduct the newly introduced study, are the hallmark of a successful investigator meeting. This event will serve as a platform to discuss strategies to streamline in-person or virtual investigator meetings, without forfeiting content. ExL's Maximizing Investigator Meetings conference is the industry's only conference for the clinical teams, meeting planners, and solution providers that collaborate to bring investigator meetings to fruition.

Sincerely,

Dario Cavaliere

Conference Production Director
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Sheraton Philadelphia University City
3549 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This conference is designed for representatives from pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device companies and advocacy groups with responsibilities in the following areas:

- ▶ Investigator Meetings
- ▶ Meeting Planning
- ▶ Clinical Operations
- ▶ Clinical Development
- ▶ Vendor Management
- ▶ Procurement
- ▶ Medical Affairs
- ▶ Medical Science Liaison
- ▶ Clinical Data Management/ Statistics
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- ▶ Patient Recruitment/ Engagement
- ▶ Drug Safety
- ▶ Clinical Trial Management
- ▶ Clinical Liaison
- ▶ Clinical Research Associate; CRA
- ▶ Clinical Research Coordinator

THIS CONFERENCE IS ALSO OF INTEREST TO:

- ▶ Meeting Planning Services
- ▶ Clinical Research Organizations
- ▶ Clinical/Quality Risk Consultants
- ▶ Functional Service Providers
- ▶ Patient Engagement and Retention Services
- ▶ Clinical Technology and Data Management Solution Providers

DAY ONE

Thursday // May 17

8:00 Registration Opens and Continental Breakfast

9:00 Co-Chair's Opening Remarks

Ryan Mazon, Senior Vice President, EDUCATIONAL MEASURES

9:15 KEYNOTE:
The "Three Cs" of Investigator Meetings — Compliance, Consistency, and Cost-Effectiveness

- ▶ Ensure internal, country, and ICH compliance
- ▶ Maintain consistency in line with industry norms regarding meals, accommodations, and payments
- ▶ Understand the balance between cost-effectiveness and investigator commitment
- ▶ Employ adult education learning principals — encourage interaction

Heidi Cocca, Global Meeting Manager, MERCK

10:00 Understand the Anatomy of a Well-Run Investigator Meeting

- ▶ Create structured opportunities for sponsors to have free-form discussions with the clinical site teams
- ▶ Use on-demand virtual training to offset attendance and attrition resource allocation
- ▶ Invest in training to position your clinical trial for success

Christina Gilbert, Head of Operations, SMALL PLANET GROUP

10:45 NETWORKING BREAK

11:15 Blueprint for Success: Key Design Elements for Investigator Meeting Architects

- ▶ Build a foundation that can balance an enjoyable experience and a productive meeting
- ▶ Ensure effective training by developing meaningful collaboration with those that create the content
- ▶ Employee meeting planning strategies to build an atmosphere that is dynamic, educational, and comfortable

Cynthia Baro, Senior Professional Meeting Partner, GENENTECH

12:00 Leverage Digital Solutions to Increase Engagement and Gather Investigator Feedback Data

- ▶ Utilize software that tracks saved, annotated, and questioned slides
- ▶ Promote investigator engagement during an in-person meeting through software that allows presenters to receive questions from the audience anonymously
- ▶ Understand the impact of a second screen during presentations/forums

Ryan Mazon, Senior Vice President, EDUCATIONAL MEASURES

12:45 NETWORKING LUNCHEON

1:45 INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP:
Build Better Investigator Meetings

Devoting resources to clinical site training through investigator meetings will no doubt position a clinical trial for success. Investigator buy-in on the study objectives and well-trained clinical sites, confident in their ability to conduct the newly introduced study, are the hallmark of a successful investigator meeting. The hurdles and challenges of creating this specialized meeting are more convoluted than it may appear on the surface. This work will provide attendees with a unique, interactive opportunity to identify strategies to build investigator meetings that are effective without sacrificing enjoyment.

Develop Strategies to Overcome Typical Investigator Meetings Pain Points

- ▶ Determine meeting structures to build a sense of community and investigator buy-in while communicating essential regulatory and clinical information
- ▶ Strategies to virtually engage investigators and research coordinators
- ▶ Create uncommon opportunities for KOLs and clinical site staff to engage about the protocol details
- ▶ Deciding between virtual and in-person meetings

Identifying Ways to Facilitate Discussion When the Crowd Is Timid

- In-person investigator meetings can often lead to protocol amendments. It is essential to create a meeting structure where site and pick the brain of the sponsor and bring their expertise to study.
- ▶ Create group-specific breakout sessions
 - ▶ Principal investigators and site coordinators breakouts encourage peer-to-peer engagement
 - ▶ Utilizing polling to facilitate discussion about investigator concerns

Kimberly Boynton, M.S., Study Project Manager II, ABBVIE

There will be a half-hour networking break during the workshop.

4:45 Co-Chairs' Closing Remarks

Ryan Mazon, Senior Vice President, EDUCATIONAL MEASURES
Heidi Cocca, Global Meeting Manager, MERCK

5:00 Day One Concludes

DAY TWO

Friday // May 18

8:00 Continental Breakfast

9:00 Co-Chairs' Opening Remarks

Ryan Mazon, Senior Vice President, **EDUCATIONAL MEASURES**
Heidi Cocca, Global Meeting Manager, **MERCK**

9:15 Address Investigator Concerns Through Collaboration With Your CRO and Meeting Planning Vendor

- ▶ Evaluate the landscape of expected regulatory changes and understand the role of open payments in planning investigator meetings
- ▶ Discuss the appropriate metrics and analytical tools to analyze investigator engagement with presentation materials
- ▶ Understand how to effectively address the concerns of investigators, vendors, and the clinical team

Mozelle Goodwin, Meeting Planner, Global Clinical Meeting Planning, **EISAI INC.**

10:00 Innovative Structures to Engage Investigators and Ensure EDC Protocol Compliance

- ▶ Implement interactive workshops and demonstrations throughout the day to maintain engagement
- ▶ Distribute handheld devices that prompt investigators to ask questions about protocol and all aspects of compliance
- ▶ Identify what concerns the principal investigators and their teams have about the study during the meeting to ensure electronic data capture (EDC) tools are well understood and used properly

Michael French, Senior Field Clinical Research Associate, **ABBOTT**

10:45 NETWORKING BREAK

11:15 Strategies to Streamline Investigator Meeting Execution

- ▶ Mobilize the right workforce early and often in the planning process
- ▶ Craft content that resonates with your audience
- ▶ Create an environment that energizes, informs, and enhances learning
- ▶ Develop meaningful metrics for measuring success

Kimberly Guedes, Senior Director Clinical Operations, **CENTREXION THERAPEUTICS**

12:00 Strategies to Discuss Effective Patient Recruitment During Investigator Meetings

- ▶ Consider the unique challenges sites will face during recruitment for a particular study
- ▶ Allocate time and resources to address concerns investigators have regarding recruitment
- ▶ Communicate strategies for early patient recruitment and treatment adherence

Heather Hernandez, Director of Business Development, **SEEKER HEALTH**; Former Clinical Operations Manager, **MENLO THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

12:45 NETWORKING LUNCHEON

1:45 Considerations for Allocating Resources for Digital Vs. In-Person Investigator Meetings

- ▶ Consider the team atmosphere and advantages of hosting in-person meetings
- ▶ Discuss the impact on costs to host investigator meetings online
- ▶ Post portions of the content online, to focus on robust protocol training in person
- ▶ Identify strategies to maintain investigator engagement during virtual IMs

Jean Mastrangelo, Senior Clinical Operations Manager, **LUYE PHARMA GROUP LTD**

2:30 PANEL DISCUSSION:

Apply Creative Agenda Structures and Organization to Impact Engagement and Retention

This panel is an opportunity to learn how innovative meeting structures and demonstrations make investigator meetings much less tedious.

- ▶ Design and help conduct interactive training activities that improve retention and increase excitement
- ▶ Facilitate the flow between presentations and interactive portions
- ▶ Employ adult learning principles to ensure effective communication

Panelists:

Cynthia Baro, Senior Professional Meeting Partner, **GENENTECH**

Jean Mastrangelo, Senior Clinical Operations Manager, **LUYE PHARMA GROUP LTD**

Mozelle Goodwin, Meeting Planner, Global Clinical Meeting Planning, **EISAI**

Irena Dabrowski, Global Meeting Manager, **MERCK**

3:30 Co-Chairs' Closing Remarks

Ryan Mazon, Senior Vice President, **EDUCATIONAL MEASURES**
Heidi Cocca, Global Meeting Manager, **MERCK**

3:45 Conference Concludes

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