

To: WVU Health Science Center Clinical Research Investigators and Coordinators

From: Sally L. Hodder MD, Assoc. Vice President, Clinical and Translational Research, WVU HSC

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Re: **Recommendations for Clinical Trial Monitor Visits**

The purpose of this memo is to advise that on-site monitor visits for clinical trials may resume on Monday June 22, 2020. Clinical trial investigators and staff should bear in mind that remote monitoring visits are preferable and should be conducted whenever possible.

If it is necessary for an external monitor to be physically present at the medical center, the following precautions must be followed:

- 1) Monitors should be pre-screened (prior to arrival in Morgantown) for symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and, if present, the external monitor is not permitted to conduct the monitoring visit on-site.
- 2) Masks must be worn by all visiting monitors at all times when present in any of the WVU Medicine buildings, the Health Sciences Center, and on the campus.
- 3) Adequate space to permit appropriate social distancing must be provided for all monitoring visits.
- 4) Areas and equipment used by the external monitors must be meticulously wiped before and after the visit with appropriate disinfectant.
- 5) Monitors are prohibited from any areas where there are known COVID-19 patients. Please ensure that any required tours avoid patient care areas with COVID-19 patients.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Shelley Welch or Tanya Moran, Co-Directors, Clinical Trials Center of Excellence.

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