

NewsFlash!

Announcement: The [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services \(CMS\)](#) Mandates Reporting of an 8-Digit Clinical Trial Number on Claims.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) now requires an 8-digit clinical trial number on all claims for items and services furnished pursuant to clinical trials that qualify for coverage as specified in the Medicare National Coverage Determination Manual. The reporting of this number was voluntary through December 31, 2013.

The 8-digit clinical trial number is assigned by the ClinicalTrials.gov website. CMS uses this number to identify all items and services provided to beneficiaries during their participation in a qualified clinical study. CMS anticipates that the mandatory reporting will improve its tracking of Medicare payments, ensure that the information gained from the research is used to inform coverage decisions, and make certain that the research focuses on issues of importance to the Medicare population.

How Do I Obtain the 8-digit Clinical Trial Number?

For Cancer Center Clinical Trials:

Please contact the [Clinical Investigations Support Office \(CISO\)](#) of the USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center (for **Cancer Center faculty with clinical trials**) to receive assistance in registering your trial and obtaining the 8-digit number assigned by ClinicalTrials.gov:

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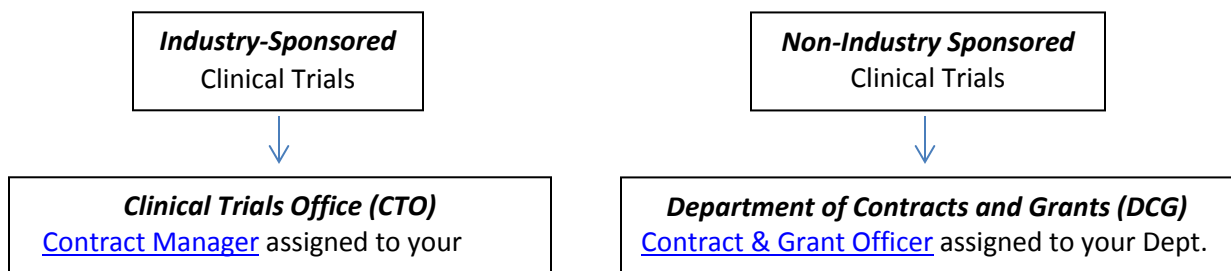
For Non-Cancer Center Clinical Trials:

If you are the person responsible for registering and submitting results for a **non-cancer center clinical trial** and need an account to register your trial via the [Protocol Registration System \(PRS\) on ClinicalTrials.gov](#), please request a User account from:

Jean Chan, Associate Director
HSC Department of Contracts and Grants
Phone: (323) 442-2825 or Email: jeanbcha@usc.edu

Who Needs the 8-Digit Clinical Trial Number?

Upon completion of trial registration on [ClinicalTrials.gov](#), the USC PI is responsible for providing the ClinicalTrials.gov number to the Contract Manager or Officer assigned to your Department, prior to award activation and set up in Quali Coeus (KC), as follows:



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