

Careers In Clinical Research







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Everything you need to know about finding your element in the clinical research industry and the opportunities for a rewarding career



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Introductions

How many of you...

- Have ever taken a prescription medication?
- Know someone who has had their hip replaced or had a pacemaker implanted?
- Know how new medical treatments get developed and approved?
- Have ever heard of clinical research?







What is Clinical Research?

The Definition, The Types, How It's Different and The Clinical Research Process

Clinical Research...



Is a form of medical research which involves the study and use of human subjects to further scientific knowledge Determines the safety and effectiveness of medications, devices, diagnostic products and treatment regimens intended for human use

Aims to help prevent, treat, diagnose or relieve symptoms of a disease Is done through a clinical trial, in which a group of patients are used to test a new medication, treatment, or medical device.

Because this type of research involves the use of human subjects, it is accompanied with a number of legal and ethical issues, and studies must be carefully vetted by ethics committees and government organizations which oversee medical research.

Different Types of Clinical Research





Treatment Research generally involves an intervention such as medication, psychotherapy, new devices, or new approaches to surgery or radiation therapy.

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Prevention Research looks for better ways to prevent diseases from developing or returning. Different kinds of prevention research may study medicines, vitamins, vaccines, minerals, or lifestyle changes.

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Diagnostic Research refers to the practice of looking for better ways to identify a particular disorder or condition.

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Screening Research aims to find the best ways to detect certain disorders or health conditions.

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Quality of Life Research explores ways to improve comfort and the quality of life for individuals with a chronic illness.

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Genetic Studies aim to improve the prediction of disorders by identifying and understanding how genes and illnesses may be related.



Epidemiological studies seek to identify the patterns, causes, and control of diseases in groups of people.

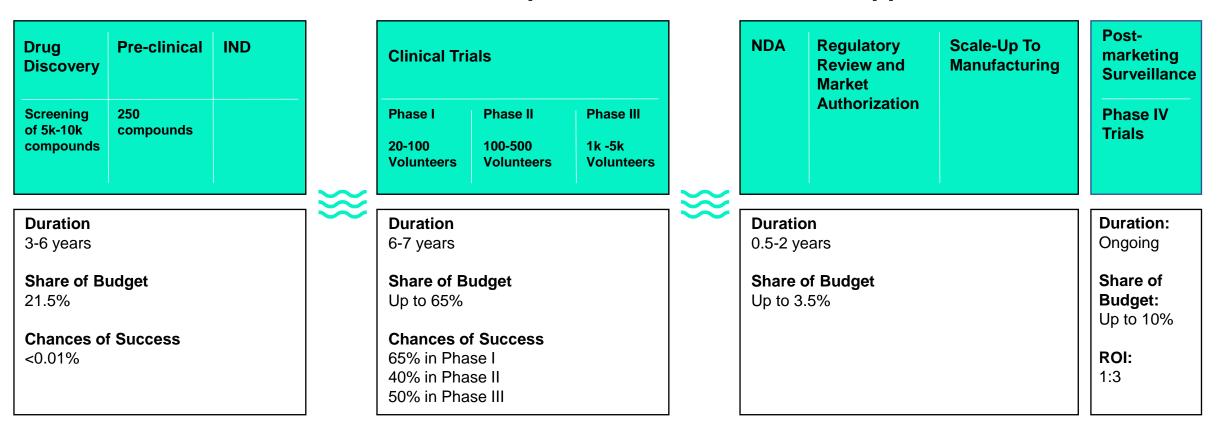


Туре	Basic or Foundational Research	Translational Research	Clinical Research
Purpose	To understand at a very basic level some aspect of biology	This research is needed to show that a drug or device works in some living system before it is used on humans	To test the safety and effectiveness of drugs, diagnostic tests, and devices that could be used in the detection, treatment, prevention or tracking of a disease
Important Aspects	Basic research generates new ideas, principles, and theories, which may not be immediately utilized but nonetheless form the basis of progress and development in different fields	Often called "bench-to-bedside" or research (referring to the research bench and the patient's bedside) or "applied" research (of applying basic research to solve a real-world problem)	The cornerstone of clinical research is the clinical trial. Clinical research is done in humans and within the healthcare environment
Typically funded by	The Government (such as National Institutes of Health – NIH)	The Government, Universities, Patient Associations / Foundations (such as Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, the Gates Foundation)	Pharmaceutical or medical device companies



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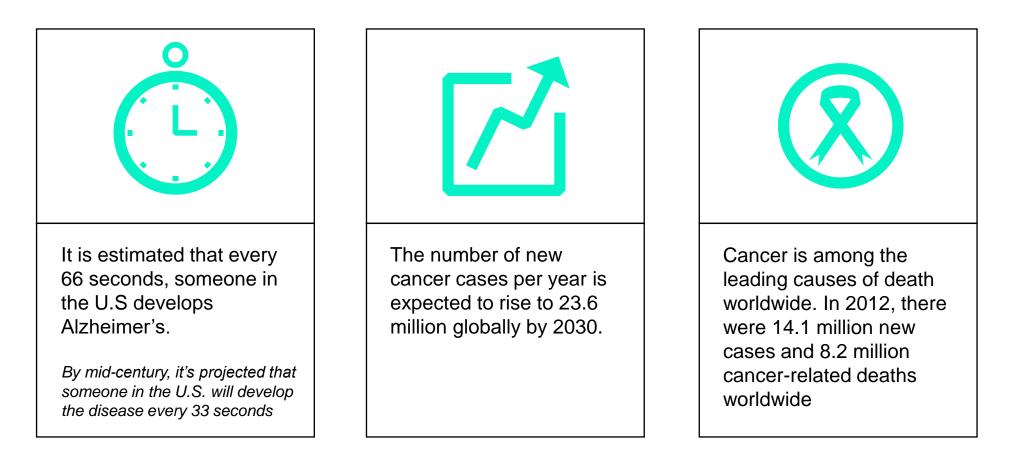


How Does it Make a Difference?

Why You Should Consider a Career in Clinical Research

Did You Know...





You could be part of the clinical research team that helps to combat these and many other scary statistics!

How Does Clinical Research Make a Difference?



Pharmaceutical, medical device and health care innovation improve public health Medical discoveries have increased life expectancy and improved the quality of life for many people around the world

Not only do these advances improve the physical and mental health of individuals but they reduce hospitalization and other healthcare costs Despite these advances, we still have lots of challenges and need talented people to help solve them!



2.5m

Million children are saved each year by vaccines

19

New types of antibiotics have been developed since 1928 35+ Antiretroviral treatments have been developed

300

New treatments have been developed in the last 10 years for hard-to-treat diseases



Survival rates for patients with cancer have increased dramatically

National Institutes of Health-funded Research Contributions



Decline in infant mortality over the past 20 years

30%

for HIV/AIDS

Decrease in chronic disability among seniors



Reduction in the death rates for coronary heart disease and stroke

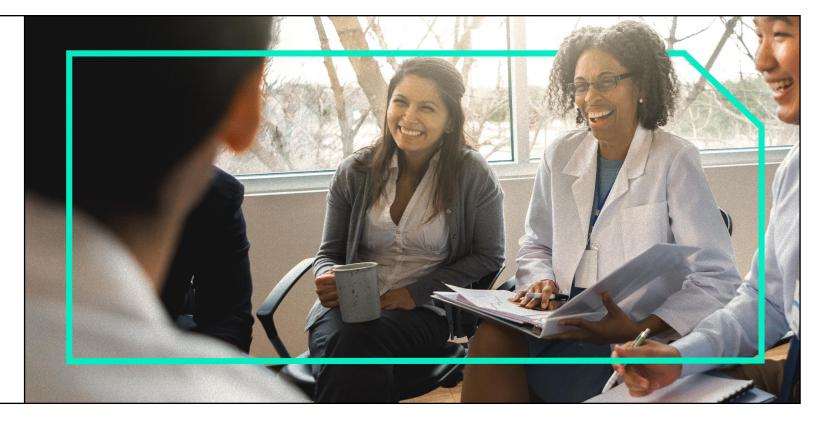
To learn more about health statistics and the impact of diseases, visit the World Health Organization, <u>http://origin.who.int/features/factfiles/global_burden/en/</u>

Considering a Career in Clinical Research



Clinical research is an important part of the healthcare industry, an industry that is expanding faster than any other (in the U.S.)

Combine the overall growth of healthcare sector, with rapid growth of new technologies and innovations, clinical research presents a huge employment opportunity which should see continued growth for a long time



Considering a Career in Clinical Research





A career in clinical research will give you

- The opportunity to advance scientific discovery
- An ability to improve individuals' lives
- A chance to be involved in a challenging and rewarding career



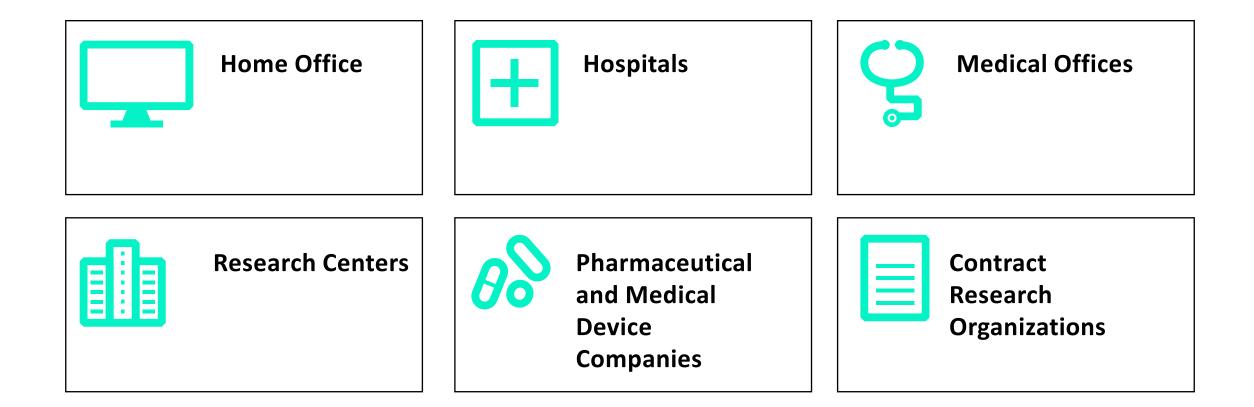


What Types of Careers are Involved?

Take a Glance at Where You Could be Working

Where Clinical Research Professionals Work





The Types of Jobs That Exist



Jobs That Interact Directly with Patients (Research Subjects)



- Principal Investigators*
- Clinical Research Nurses*
- Clinical Research Coordinators (CRC)
- Clinical Research Pharmacists*

The CRC and CTA roles are common entry points into a career in clinical research and from there, the possibilities are unlimited based on your interests and additional educational background

*Requires a medical, nursing or pharmacy degree

The Types of Jobs That Exist



Jobs That Support Clinical Research But Don't Directly Interact with Patients



- Clinical Trial Assistant (CTA)
- Clinical Research Associate (CRA) or study monitor
- Drug Safety Specialist
- Biostatistician
- Study Manager / Project Manager
- Data Scientist, Clinical Data Coordinator, Analyst or Manager
- Quality Assurance Specialist, Auditor
- Medical Officer*
- Clinical Business Analysis
- Medical Writer

*Requires a medical degree



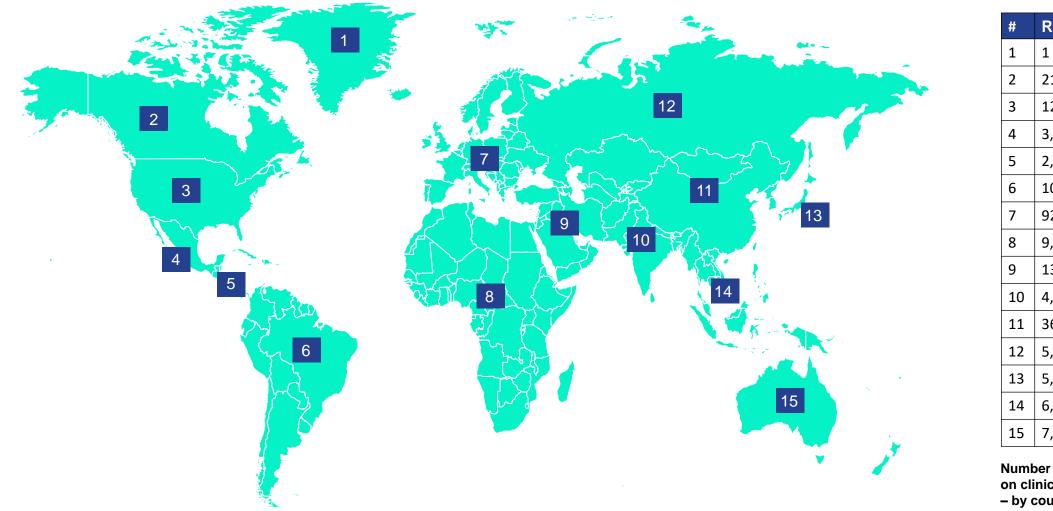


Job Growth Potential and Salary Opportunities

Secure Your Future

Current Number of Clinical Trials



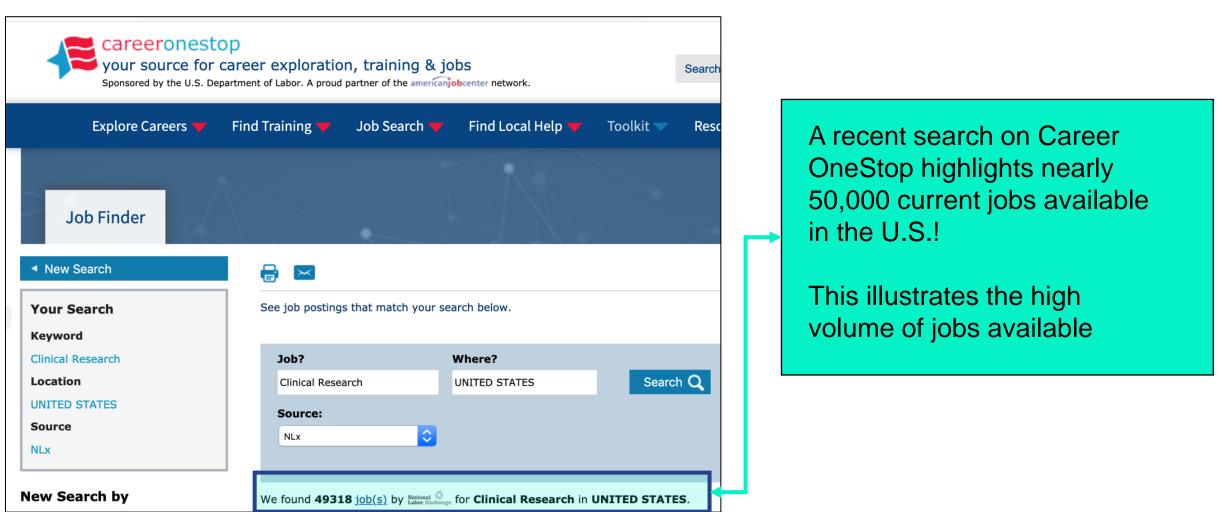


#	Registrations
1	1
2	21,224
3	127,485
4	3,540
5	2,994
6	10,415
7	92,927
8	9,322
9	13,697
10	4,962
11	36,343
12	5,692
13	5,741
14	6,523
15	7,671

Number of clinical trials registered on clinicaltrials.gov as of Jan 2. 2020 – by country

Job Opportunities





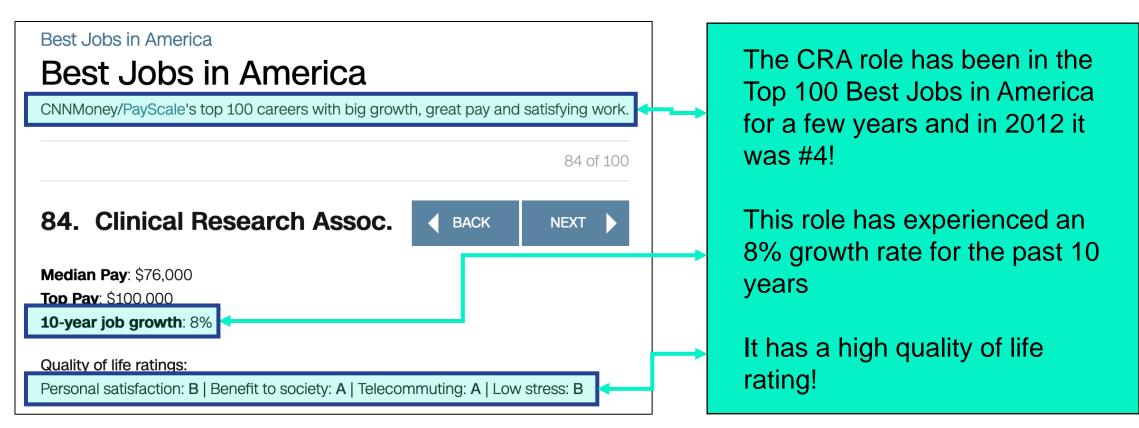
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Job Opportunities





Source: https://money.cnn.com/gallery/pf/2017/01/05/best-jobs-2017/84.html



Role	Low	Average	High
CTA Clinical Trial Assistant	\$31,000	\$51,000	\$74,000
CRC Clinical Research Coordinator	\$41,000	\$57,000	\$80,000
CRA Clinical Research Associate	\$58,000	\$84,000	\$108,000

Based on December 2019 Survey of Salaries Posted on Glassdoor





Who Makes a Great Clinical Research Professional?

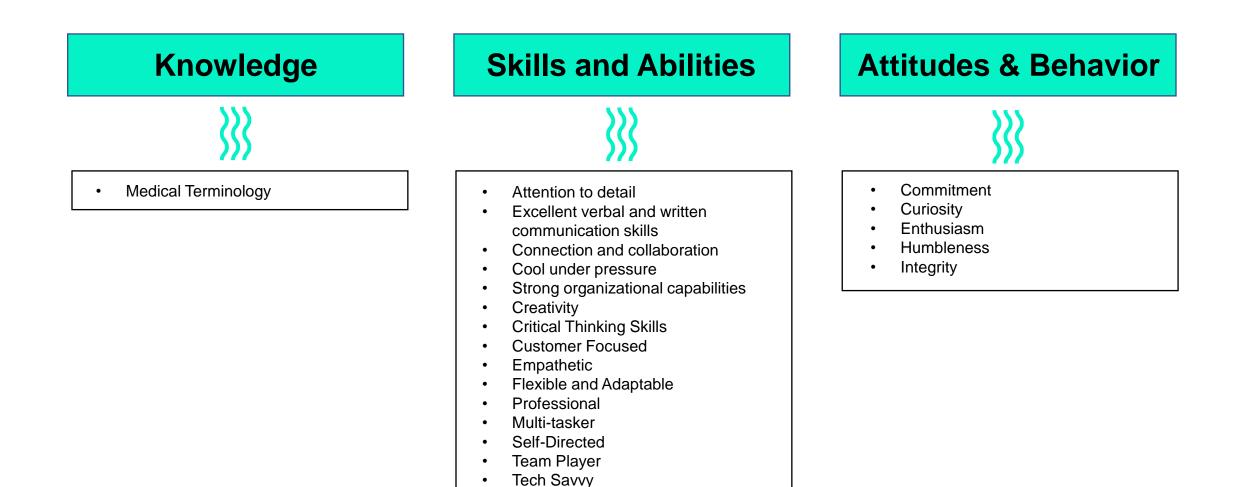
The Key Elements of a Great CR Professional

Do You...



Have a passion for science – but don't always know the fields to apply beyond the traditional (nursing, pharmacy, medical or veterinary doctor)? Want a "pay it forward" career or profession?

Want to combine your interests in cutting-edge science, medicine and business – all while directly advancing potential new medicines for patients in need?





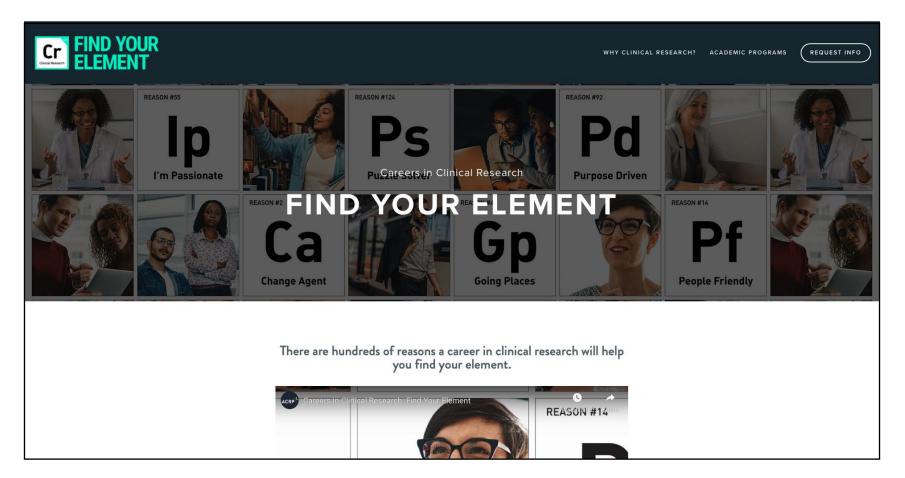


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