



*October 12, 2021*

# Increasing Diversity in Clinical Trials Expert Meeting

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# CTTI & Diversity Project Overview

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CLINICAL  
TRIALS  
**TRANSFORMATION**  
INITIATIVE

Multi-stakeholder,  
public-private partnership  
co-founded by Duke University & FDA

Participation of 500+ more orgs and  
± 80 member organizations

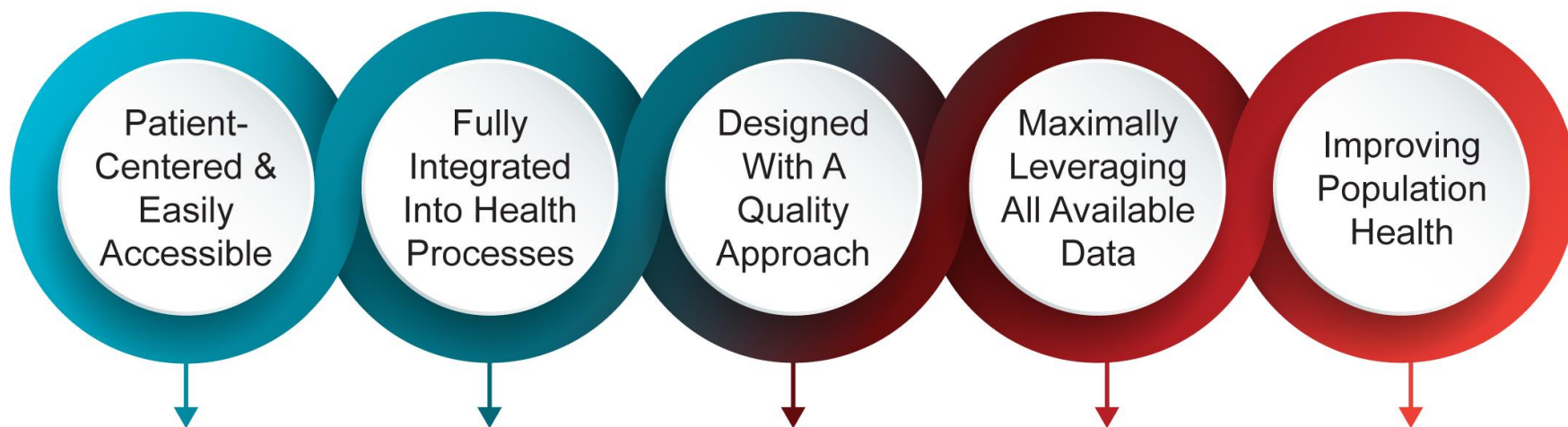
**MISSION:** To develop and drive  
adoption of practices that will  
increase the quality and efficiency  
of clinical trials.



# TRANSFORMING TRIALS 2030

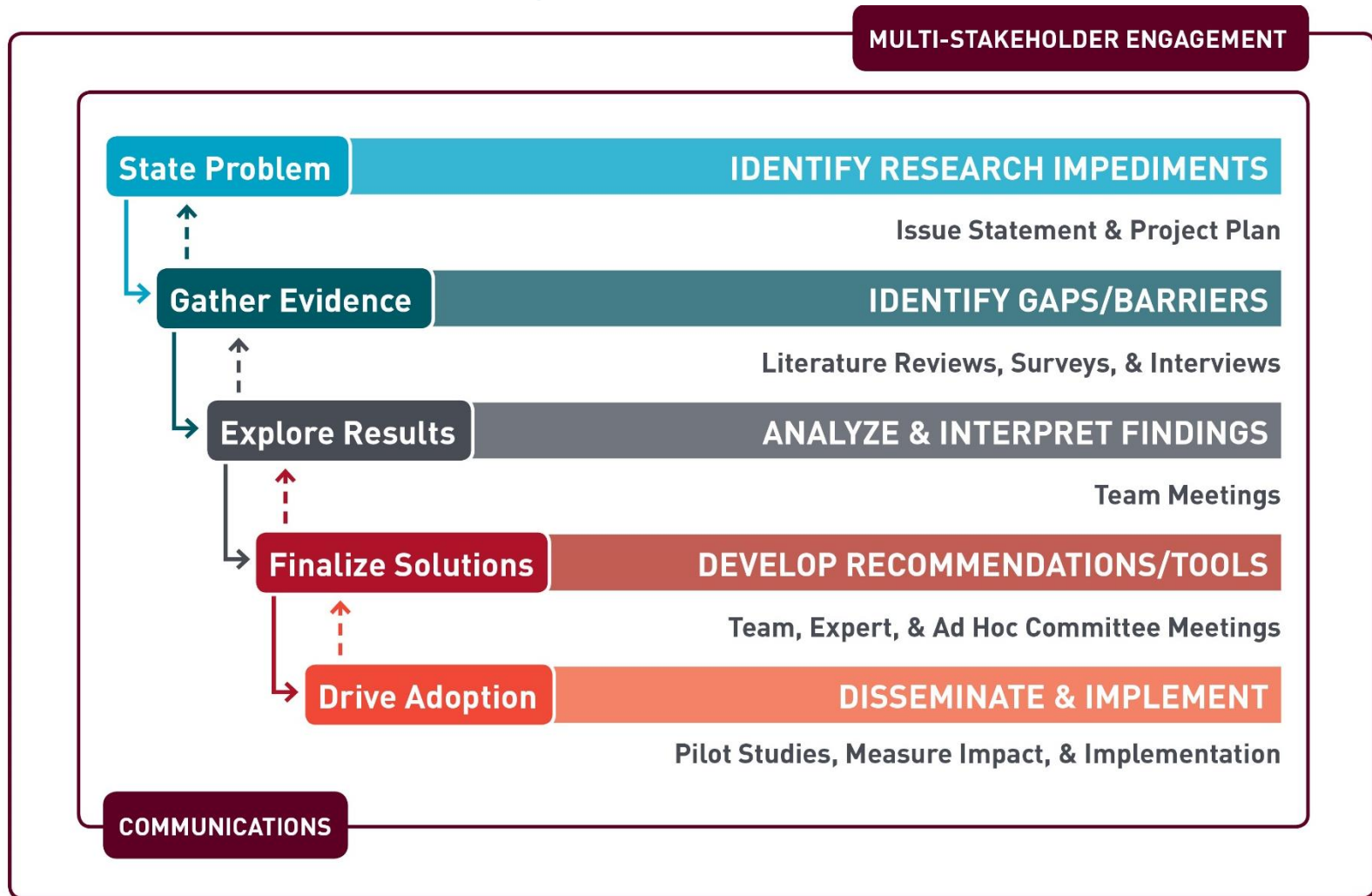


By 2030, clinical trials need to be:



A critical part of the Evidence Generating System

# CTTI Methodology



# CTTI

## Increasing Diversity in Clinical Trials Project

# Diversity Pre-Project Work

## Issue

- Underrepresentation of racial minorities, ethnic minorities, and women in U.S. clinical trials:
  - Limits knowledge of investigational medical products' safety and efficacy.
  - Reduces the availability of evidence-based treatment guidelines for underrepresented populations.
  - Serious human subject protection issue and broader public health threat.

## What was missing from the landscape at the start of this project?

- Consideration of the whole protocol (design & operational considerations)
- Coordinated action across key system-level actors
- Efforts to scale and replicate throughout & across institutions
- Sufficient resource allocation

# Progress Across Clinical Trials Enterprise

- ▶ Increased awareness and calls for systemic change for clinical trials to meet the needs of diverse populations
- ▶ Great work is being done through diversity, equity and inclusion programs and initiatives
- ▶ Continued need for sharing of information to ensure sufficient resource allocation:
  - Successful organizational-level strategies
  - Clinical, scientific, and economic impact

# Project Overview

- **Purpose:** Demonstrate the clinical, scientific, and economic value of:
  1. Increasing diversity in clinical trials, and
  2. Adopting **organizational-level practices** that increase inclusion of diverse patient populations throughout the development lifecycle of medical products.
- **Scope:** Inclusion of women & racial/ethnic minorities in clinical trials.
- **Anticipated Impact:** Greater inclusion of diverse patient populations in clinical trials.

# Meeting Objectives

1. Present findings from project evidence generation: in-depth interviews with key decision-makers
2. Refine a maturity model for organizational-level strategies to increase diversity in clinical trials
3. Identify specific multi-stakeholder, portfolio-level strategies to increase the participation of underrepresented racial and ethnic minorities and women in clinical trials

# CTTI's Approach to Expert Meetings

## Multi-Stakeholder Collaboration

*Registered attendees represent experts, leaders, and contributors from:*

- Academia, Healthcare System, Sites (10)
- CROs and Operational Partners (7)
- Government / Regulatory (8)
- Industry Sponsors – Drugs, Biologics, and Medical Devices (15)
- Technology or Operational Partner (3)
- Patient/Caregiver and Patient Group (10)
- Professional Society, Trade Org (6)
- Other: IRB, Consulting, Training (4)

## Principles

- Everyone participates, no one dominates
- Disagree without being disagreeable
- Stay open to new ideas
- Articulate hidden assumptions
- Listen for the future to emerge

# Agenda for October 12, 2021 (Day 1)

Time (EDT)	Topic
1:00 p.m.	<b>Welcoming Remarks &amp; Project Overview</b>
1:05 p.m.	<b>Session I: Evidence Generation Results – In-depth Interviews</b>
1:55 p.m.	<i>5-Minute Break</i>
2:00 p.m.	<b>Session II: Organizational Strategies to Increase Diversity in Clinical Trials – Yale Center for Clinical Investigation</b>
2:55 p.m.	<i>10-Minute Break</i>
3:05 p.m.	<b>Session III: Diversity Maturity Model Breakout Discussions</b>
3:55 p.m.	<i>Wrap-Up &amp; Adjourn Day 1</i>

## Agenda for October 21 (Day 2)

1:00 p.m.	Welcome: Review Day 1 & Look Ahead to Day 2
1:05 p.m.	Session IV: Representation in U.S. Clinical Trials
1:35 p.m.	Session V: Review of Maturity Model
2:05 p.m.	Session VI: Breakout Discussions
3:35 p.m.	Closing Comments & Adjourn