

RESEARCH METHODS FOR CLINICAL TRIALS COURSE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM



Background

There is a need to train existing and potential clinical researchers in the design, management, analysis and interpretation of randomised clinical trials. The Birmingham Clinical Trials Unit has established a course in research methods for clinical trials which is designed to help researchers apply the most effective practical methods to answer key problems in clinical and other health care.

Curriculum

The course will consist of a series of talks and workshops that will concentrate on the practicalities of developing and running a randomised clinical trial. Subjects covered include:

- Choosing the right question: systematic reviews and meta-analysis
- Trial Design: large simple trials and other designs
- Statistical analysis for non-statisticians
- Protocol development
- Practical procedures for running a trial
- Computerised trial management
- Critical Appraisal of published work
- Quality of Life studies
- Health Economics
- Research Governance considerations
- Funding and research costs

Who should attend

The course is designed to appeal to a broad audience ranging from those who have little experience in clinical trials to those who wish to widen their knowledge of the conduct of such trials.

Attendance would be appropriate for:

- Clinical researchers who are planning or running a clinical trial.
- Medical staff involved in clinical trials who are interested in expanding their knowledge.
- Trial administrators/ research nurses/ others who wish to expand their knowledge of clinical trial methodology.

The Venue

Our training venue is on our Conference Park is within easy walking distance from the University station (10-15 minutes). There is a frequent train service from Birmingham New Street.

There is free parking available and also accommodation at a reasonable price and details can be provided on request.

Cost

Researchers from academic and NHS centres will be charged £500 for the 3 day course, which will cover registration, course materials, refreshments, lunches and the conference dinner on the Monday evening.

Payment **in full** is required at least 30 days prior to the course start date.

CPD Points

This 3 day course is usually accredited 6 CPD points per day attended (18 points in total).

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