What to ask your clinical trial team

You have the right to understand your treatment, its side effects and how your information will be used before you sign up for a clinical trial. Your trial guide will give you information to look over and will be available to answer any questions.

You should feel comfortable asking any questions you have, even if you think they are silly.

Here are some common concerns:

• Where will I go for treatment and how long will I be there?

• What costs are covered by the trial and what must be covered by my insurance or by me?

• Can I speak with others who are taking part in the trial or who have taken part?

• Which doctor will be in charge of my care?

• Who will watch my condition and make sure the treatment is working?

• How long after treatment will I have to come for follow-up exams?

• When will I be told about the results of the trial?

Read information about the trial carefully and bring any questions you have. This is your treatment decision and it is up to the trial team to answer your questions in a way you understand.
6. Write the side effects you may experience from the trial treatment below. How do you feel about possibly having these effects? Rate your comfort with each and share with your doctors.

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7. What costs are not covered by the trial?

Treatments/tests covered by trial

Treatments/tests NOT covered by trial

Trials usually pay for the treatment being tested and tests they require, but not for standard tests and treatments you may need while participating. Ask what the trial will pay for and check that your insurance will cover the other parts of your care.