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Overcoming Resourcing Challenges:

Enhancing Site Capacity for Clinical Trials with DCT Nurses

Our FSP solutions, including both study coordinators and DCT nurses, ensure your sites are properly resourced. Discover how our extensive network of home health nurses can effectively bolster site capacities. By providing support for study visit procedures, our solution results in enhanced recruitment and increased site engagement.

Case Study Summary:

A US-based biotech company specializing in rare neurologic conditions encountered persistent difficulties in securing sufficient qualified resources at their study sites. This bottleneck hindered recruitment efforts and jeopardized study timelines. However, ProPharma successfully alleviated these challenges by mobilizing home health nurses to augment site capacities, enabling them to provide support during site visits and conduct home visits for the study participants.

Client Feedback:

"Site staffing has always been a challenge, but we've only seen this issue become greater since COVID. We needed a solution that was flexible and reliable, while maintaining our existing site relationship, and ProPharma was able to deliver."

Challenge:

Our client approached us seeking a resolution to the resource-related obstacles faced by their study sites. The sponsor had chosen sites for their pediatric rare disease trial based on established connections with specialists in the therapeutic field. However, the sites encountered difficulties in retaining personnel, hindering their ability to meet study requirements. The trial involved frequent ECG monitoring and blood sample collection; tasks typically supported by nurses. Unfortunately, the sites lacked the capacity to handle these procedures due to inexperienced coordinators.

Consequently, the absence of qualified staff to conduct study visits resulted in a significant setback in patient enrollment, which was particularly concerning given the limited number of patients globally affected by this exceedingly rare condition.



Solution:

Given ProPharma's existing involvement in conducting home visits for this trial and providing patient support across all sites, we swiftly adjusted and expanded our assistance. By leveraging our extensive pool of employee nurses, we promptly identified additional nurses situated near each site who possessed expertise in ECGs, blood sample collection, and processing. These nurses underwent comprehensive training on the trial protocol by ProPharma and were promptly deployed to the respective sites to offer invaluable assistance during study visits.

Results:

- ProPharma's support was met with immediate appreciation from the sites, enabling them to swiftly resume recruitment efforts and regain momentum.
- Strong bonds were forged between the sites and ProPharma nurses, resulting in extended support from ProPharma across additional studies.
- The enhanced availability of sites contributed to improved compliance with visit scheduling, optimizing efficiency.
- Recognizing the benefits, the sponsor implemented DCT Site Augmentation in two other ongoing studies, further capitalizing on the successful partnership with ProPharma.

About ProPharma:

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With deep domain expertise in regulatory sciences, clinical research solutions, quality & compliance, pharmacovigilance, medical information, and R&D technology, ProPharma offers an end-to-end suite of fully customizable consulting solutions that de-risk and accelerate our partners' most high-profile drug and device programs.













