A problem well-defined is a problem half solved.
— John Dewey

Annual Report 2018

The Challenge

Only 3%-6% of eligible cancer patients participate in clinical trials.

In philanthropic world people like to say “3%-6%: ‘Cure’, ‘Lack’, and ‘Desire’.” But we at the National Cancer Institute (NCI), part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), don’t view it that way. We believe that we, who are charged with ending cancer, cannot wait to see how many patients say “No.”

Over 40% of clinical trials fail due to lack of patient enrollment.

Since 2012, the NCI has been working to improve patient access to clinical trials through the Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE), a standardized protocol for describing the adverse effects of cancer treatments. However, this effort has not been enough to overcome the challenges associated with patient enrollment.

Removing Barriers

Changing the Face of Clinical Trials: A new website for the NCI’s Clinical Trials website has been launched to increase patient access to clinical trials. The site allows patients to search for trials based on their location, type of cancer, and trial status.

Impact 2018 Milestones

A 50% increase in the number of patients enrolled in clinical trials

40% increase in patient satisfaction with the clinical trial experience

60% reduction in the time it takes to recruit patients for clinical trials

Impact 2019 Aspirations

40% increase in the number of patients interested in clinical trials

50% reduction in the time it takes to recruit patients for clinical trials
We are pleased to present you with our 2018 Annual Report. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us. We welcome your feedback and hope you enjoy reading our report.

Drs. Steven P. Shulman and Charles L. Crispin

CHANGE IS GOOD

NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSES

5 NO. OF NEW PATIENTS

35 OTHER SUPPORTERS

41 LOCAL COMMUNITY SUPPORTERS

41 NCI Designated Cancer Center	

100 NCI Designated Cancer Center	

50 Clinical Trials Initiated

654 Clinical Trials Completed

538 in Impact aka C-A-F-E

538 PATIENTS SERVED IN 2018

198 2018 GRANTS & DONATIONS

40+ grants or at least 42 institutions

5 or 12 NCI Designated Cancer Center

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