Clinical trials are essential to provide the evidence that a treatment works.

Without clinical trials, new treatments for diseases and conditions would not be discovered. Some clinical trials help to determine if a new treatment is safe and can improve the health of patients. Other trials compare a new therapy to an existing one to find out which is better at treating or preventing a disease.

The journey of a clinical trial

**PHASE 1**
Explore safety, determine safe dosage, and identify side effects.

**PHASE 2**
Test effectiveness and further evaluate safety.

**PHASE 3**
Test effectiveness, confirm effectiveness and monitor side effects. Compare to other treatments.

**PHASE 4**
Test effectiveness, and provide additional information after approval including risks, benefits, and use.

Help us raise awareness about the importance of clinical trials.