

Cancer Centre	Key Results
Markham Stouffville Hospital (ON) <i>Creating Access for Research Equity (CARE Project)</i>	Developed REDCap survey to identify barriers to research participation and improve care and program planning for diverse patient populations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey translated in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese and Tamil received 29 responses • Four <i>Strategy Cafés</i> elicited patient feedback • Key participation barriers identified and investigated: limited awareness of trial benefits, time commitment, transportation challenges, frequency of trial-related visits • 72% of respondents interested in future research involvement
BC Cancer – Prince George (BC) <i>EDI Trials Community UNLearning Platform Series (EDI T-CUPS)</i>	Facilitated community-led sessions with equity-deserving groups to understand how to better support patients. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three sessions held with facilitators representing various equity-deserving groups (immigrants/newcomers, 2SLGBTQIA+) • 219 staff participants across six BC Cancer sites • Sessions to provide a foundation for changes within BC Cancer's clinical trials practices
IWK Health (NS) <i>Financial barriers for families of children with cancer in the Maritimes including barriers to enrollment on clinical trials.</i>	Conducted focus groups with pediatric cancer families to identify financial challenges impacting participation in cancer trials in the Maritimes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three focus groups held with 12 families • Key finding: Common financial burdens were identified and investigated; increased financial costs arising from clinical trial participation do not necessarily deter families from enrolling • Community support varied by region: rural communities tended to offer additional supports for families than those from urban centers
Health Sciences North – Sudbury (ON) <i>Implementation CRAFT for CCTG BR.36 Phase III trial for non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) patients in Northeastern Ontario</i>	Second CRAFT decentralized clinical trials (DCT) implementation at Timmins satellite location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notable improvements compared with the initial implementation case: 49% greater efficiency in executing research agreements and an 86% reduction in time for REB approval to trial cluster site activation • Protocol training delivered to Timmins staff • Informed consent, screening, treatment, and follow-up conducted via Ontario Telemedicine
BC Children's Hospital (BC) <i>BCCH CRAFT: Technology Infrastructure for Expanded Access to Pediatric Cancer Trials in BC</i>	Activated eSOURCE for selected pilot pediatric oncology studies to enable DCT set up at sites. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activated eSOURCE for seven studies with nine studies pending • Six patients enrolled in COG and industry-sponsored trials to date • Onboarding of one satellite (Kelowna) in progress, with additional sites to follow. Completion of required training by Satellite pediatrician in anticipation of patient enrollment
Princess Margaret Cancer Centre (ON) <i>Patients' Perspectives on use of Decentralized Clinical Trials to support underrepresented populations</i>	Surveyed patients on preferences for conducting trial activities at Princess Margaret main site vs. closer to home. Hosted learning session for staff to share knowledge, lived experiences and best practices for equity and inclusiveness. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCT survey received 951 responses. Insights to support development of a DCT platform and future program planning. • Education Day featured three guest speakers, 200 attendees from Princess Margaret, 17 from Network Affiliated Cancer Centres • Learning sessions: Bridging gaps in the Canadian clinical trials landscape, patient perspectives, inclusion of Indigenous populations

