

Protocol Review and Monitoring Committee: Call for PRMC Citizen Scientist Candidates Flyer

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PRMC Citizen Scientist – Soliciting Nominations for Membership

The Tisch Cancer Institute (TCI) recognizes and values the importance of Lay Patient Community Advocates in Cancer Research. To better integrate the needs and concerns of our cancer patients, the TCI is soliciting nominations for citizen scientist membership to the Protocol Review Monitoring Committee (PRMC). The addition of citizen scientists to the committee will undoubtedly increase the collaboration between TCI and the community we serve, by incorporating the community member's unique perspective on proposed cancer research through participation in Tisch Cancer Institute's robust scientific review process.

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The role of the community member will include:

- Providing TCI and the PRMC with advice and insights from the community's perspective
- Participating in the robust scientific and feasibility peer review by serving as a reviewer for investigator-initiated research protocols
- Commenting on the feasibility of the recruitment plan, study design and consent language (i.e. patient burden, feasibility, inclusivity, access to care, restrictive eligibility criteria).
- Commenting on patient barriers to participation and proposing reasonable solutions for increasing public awareness and engagement in specific trials.
- Translating research opportunities and study results to the patient community and the public.
- Identifying opportunities to bring the patient(s) and research communities together.

PRMC Citizen Scientist Candidate Eligibility

The citizen scientist must have the below in order to perform PRMC related duties:

- Be an active community member, community advocate or a patient, survivor or caregiver (“stakeholder”)
- Be willing and able to conduct a review cancer clinical research studies (“clinical trials”) and comment on the study design and recruitment plan to ensure the community needs are reflected.
- Provide timely feedback and guidance related to identifying and addressing the community needs.
- Actively participate in scheduled teleconferences and attend at least 50% of the 23 remote committee meetings.

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A few important items to note about membership:

- The PRMC meets on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month at 8:00am virtually through Zoom (participation requires internet access and PDF reader capabilities).
- All reviews are completed electronically through REDcap.
- On average, members are requested to review 6-7 protocols per year (an hour for each review).
- Membership is for a 1-year renewable term.
- Compensation will be provided per review and per attendance.
- Training and mentorship will be provided.

If eligibility is satisfied and a candidate is willing to serve on the PRMC, please forward the candidate's CV for review to venesha.white@mssm.edu