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TO: Cancer Clinical Researchers and Staff

RE: Good Clinical Practice (GCP) Training Policy

In July of 2016, Masonic Cancer Center implemented a new requirement that any investigator wishing to participate in clinical research, either as a principal or co-investigator, will be required to have completed GCP training through the online Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program. This requirement went into effect September 1, 2016.

Most investigators have complied with this requirement, but there are many who have not. Those investigators who have not completed training will be sent an email reminder. If the training is not completed within 2 weeks of the reminder:

- Trials of non-compliant principal investigators will be suspended from further accrual.
- Non-compliant co-investigators will not be able to enroll or manage new patients on any active trial.

These suspensions will remain in effect until documentation is received of having completed GCP training.

While this sounds drastic, completion of Good Clinical Practice (GCP) training is not an option for our faculty who wish to enroll patients on clinical trials. It is the international ethical and scientific gold standard for the design, conduct, performance, recording, analysis and reporting of clinical trials. For Masonic Cancer Center members, we want to ensure that we are maintaining the highest standards and are compliant with all federal standards.

Thank you for your help in this effort.

Sincerely,



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