The Clinical and Translational Research Center (formerly General Clinical Research Center or GCRC) supports and supervises human studies and clinical trials in all therapeutic areas and within all age groups.

CTRC facility at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

- 5 exam/consultation rooms
- Bionutritionist
- CTRC sample processing laboratory
- Experienced certified research nurses
- Mobile nurses

What services do we offer at the CTRC?

- **Reduced-cost clinical research services** for NIH-funded and young investigators
- **Sample processing laboratory services** including phlebotomy, sample processing, triage, and storage
- **Bionutrition services**, including experienced bionutritionist, access to analysis of nutrition data, anthropometry, and body composition by DEXA scan
- **Hands-on training in clinical research** available
- **In-servicing** of research team members
- **IRB Submission** consultation
- **Budget preparation** assistance
- **Evening and weekend call** nursing available
- **Special access** to resources and facilities at the 4 partner campuses: Cedars-Sinai, Charles Drew University, LA BioMed/Harbor & UCLA

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- **Program Director:** Odelia Cooper, MD
- **Associate Program Director:** Mariko Ishimori, MD
- **Administrator:** Debby Peterson
- **Bionutritionist:** Mindy Mamelak, RD
- **Research Nurse Supervisor:** Lisa Ronghong Nie, PhD, RN

Who Is Eligible for CTSI Services and Support?

CTSI services and support are generally available to investigators at its four partnered institutions and UCLA affiliate institutions. Investigators at CTSI community partner sites may also be eligible.

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Informatics Program provides databases, tools, resources and infrastructure for the acquisition, storage and analysis of data. *Staff contact: Marianne Zachariah, mzachariah@mednet.ucla.edu*

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Network Resources consists of two units: 1) The **Clinical Research Acceleration Unit (CRAU)** interacts with the CTSA Network Trial Innovation Centers (TICs) to ensure rapid study start-up of clinical trials and assist investigators with high priority studies;
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Population Health equips health agency personnel with skills to introduce and sustain critical translational science methods. *Staff contact: Moira Inkelas, minkelas@mednet.ucla.edu*

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Workforce Development Program houses most of our education and training activities, including KL2 and TL1 awards for mentored research. *Staff contact: Lisa Chan, lchan@mednet.ucla.edu*

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