Clinical trials for cancer are research studies that compare the most effective known treatment for a specific cancer with a new approach. This can be a new drug, a combination of drugs, or a different way of using approved treatments.

**What are the possible benefits if I join a clinical trial?**

- Clinical trials provide people with the best available standard of care, along with access to new therapies – often the “next generation” of treatment
- Clinical trials provide a chance to benefit from a new therapy or approach
- Clinical trials provide a way to be on the frontlines of research to advance cancer care

**Know the facts**

- Clinical trials are all designed differently. It is important to understand what is involved with any trial for which you may qualify. Discuss clinical trial and treatment options with your care team
- You can stay in a trial for its entirety or leave at any time, for any reason
- You can and should continue to have visits with your regular doctor

**What should I do next?**

- Talk to your doctor every time a treatment decision is considered to see if there is a clinical trial that’s right for you
- While all clinical trials are different, it may be helpful to hear from other people who have participated in these studies. Many people share their stories through online support groups or through social media

To learn more about available trials in your area and how clinical trials have helped other patients with lung cancer, visit [LCAM.org](http://LCAM.org). **#HOPELIVES** More Research. More Survivors.

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