COVERAGE OF CLINICAL TRIALS

Affordable Care Act

- A group health plan or health insurance issuer covering a qualified individual cannot prevent them from participating in a clinical trial related to the treatment of cancer or another life-threatening condition
- A plan or issuer cannot limit or add conditions to the coverage of routine patient costs within the trial
 - A plan or issuer cannot discriminate against anyone because of their participation in a trial



- Medicare covers routine costs of clinical trials and items/services used to diagnose and treat complications that result from participating in clinical trials
- There must be a signed consent form for the clinical trial and documentation that the patient was enrolled in a clinical trial in which patients with the same condition were being studied

Differences in Coverage Policies by State

