

Clinical Research Leadership at UCSD Health

Clinical Research Coordinator & Research Center Manager

Overview

Led and managed complex biomedical and behavioral research operations across multi-site clinical studies at UC San Diego Health. Oversaw multidisciplinary teams of 60+ researchers while developing standard operating procedures, managing IRB submissions, and ensuring regulatory compliance.

Objectives

- Coordinate multi-site clinical studies across academic medicine settings
- Supervise and support multidisciplinary research teams
- Develop SOPs and manage IRB and regulatory submissions
- Strengthen community partnerships locally and internationally

Approach

- Built clear research workflows, training materials, and quality-assurance processes
- Served as liaison between investigators, participants, regulatory bodies, and community partners
- Implemented systems for consistent data collection, participant safety, and ethical compliance

Outcomes & Impact

- Managed 60+ researchers across concurrent studies
- Maintained compliant, timely IRB and regulatory submissions
- Enabled efficient execution of biomedical and behavioral research portfolios

Key Takeaways

- Operational excellence is essential to ethical, high-impact research
- Clear SOPs and communication protect participants, staff, and data quality
- Community partnerships extend the reach and relevance of academic research

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