



## **CLINICAL RESEARCH**

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# ABOUT THE TRUST

### **East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust is**

an integrated acute and community health services provider, caring for over half a million residents as well as the visitors and tourists that visit our coastal county all year round. We are the lead provider of a wide

range of hospital-based services across East Sussex as well as offering community led services across much of the same area.

Our services are mainly provided from two district general hospitals, the Conquest Hospital in Hastings and Eastbourne District General Hospital both of which have Emergency Departments and provide care 24 hours a day. They offer a comprehensive range of surgical, medical and maternity services supported by a full range of diagnostic and therapy services.

At Bexhill Hospital we provide outpatients, ophthalmology, rehabilitation and intermediate care services. At Rye, Winchelsea and District Memorial Hospital we provide Outpatient and inpatient intermediate care services. We also provide some services at Uckfield Community Hospital.

Our community teams also provide care in the patient's own home, over 100 community sites across East Sussex and GP

surgeries. We employ over 7,500 people across the organisation and we have an annual income of over £550 million.

Rother Battle

Lewes Hallsham Polgate

Fashburg Bourne Disting Central Hospital

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In 2020 the Care Quality Commission (CQC) rated us as 'Good' overall, and 'Outstanding' for being caring and effective. Conquest Hospital in Hastings and our community services were rated 'Outstanding' and Eastbourne DGH was rated 'Good'.

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# ABOUT THE CLINICAL RESEARCH TEAM

Clinical research is a key priority for the trust. We have delivered and supported research over the last 30 years within our hospitals and we have received awards and recognition of the work undertaken. The trust has been involved in a combination of multi-centre commercial and academic studies worldwide with leading pharmaceutical companies.

We have a very professional, pro-active approach to delivering new studies with our sponsors. The research team has delivered agreed recruitment within timelines and often exceeds recruitment targets. We pride ourselves with having a close relationship with our sponsors from first contact. Our research governance team are very experienced in working with sponsors and making this process efficient and effective.

Clinical research is a key priority for our trust. In collaboration with the Trust Board, the Research and Development department are actively expanding research capacity, promoting recruitment into commercial

and academic clinical trials, whilst encouraging clinician's and AHP's to be involved in developing their own research. Research participation is imperative in improving the health outcomes and benefits to our patients. Involving healthcare professionals in the delivery of innovative treatments increases job satisfaction, staff retention, continuous learning, and evidenced-based care.



## OUR KEY STATS

### Last year...

- our emergency departments had 130,000 attendances
- 3,053 babies were born in our hospitals
- 54,000 people had planned surgery, 87% of these were day cases
- we received over 21,800 cancer referrals
- 42,000 referrals were made to community nursing, 10,100 were seen within 24 hours
- there were 414,000 outpatient appointments, nearly 300,000 of these were consultant-led
- we carried out 283,000 X-rays and scans
- 7 million pathology tests were undertaken



# CLINICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

We have the facilities to support highquality clinical trials for our patients and volunteers at all of our sites. We provide a safe, comfortable and secure environment where we recruit and screen patients/volunteers in compliance with Good Clinical Practice, trust policies and departmental standard operating procedures.



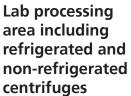


We have a wide range of facilities to meet your research needs, all equipped with the latest technology and regularly maintained and calibrated to ensure accurate and consistent results. Our team of experienced researchers are highly trained to operate all equipment and are always on hand to provide support and assistance when required.

The team take pride in our facilities and services, which are tailored to meet the specific needs of each clinical trials unit. The research team have extensive experience and knowledge of supporting and delivering clinical research trials in a variety of specialities. Our clinical research services cover phases II-IV clinical trials, and we offer a wide range of therapeutic areas. Research and development is another area where we excel, and we work closely with our clients to ensure that their projects are delivered on time and target and within budget. Our clinical research nurses and practitioners are experienced in managing large scale and complex projects, and we use the latest project management tools and techniques to ensure that all milestones are achieved on time.



Research nurses and research practitioners office space is equipped with latest Windows PCs for trial startup, study coordination, data entry and randomisation.

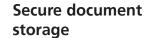








Commercial grade data-logged fridges and -20°C and -80°C freezers







Drug preparation room with temperaturecontrolled storage facilities and biosafety cabinet.





rooms





Patient monitoring space and phlebotomy



**Patient emergency equipment** 





### Site capabilities

Study Equipment	Capability	On Site	If no, distance (miles)	Is the distance an issue for patients?
Echo (Vivid E95)	• Yes	• Yes		
12 Lead ECG Capabilities	• Yes	• Yes		
FDG/PET-CT Scan	• Yes	• No	• 20	• No
CT/MRI Scan	• Yes	• Yes		
Bone marrow Biopsy/ aspirate	• Yes	• Yes		
Endoscopy	• Yes	• Yes		
Local laboratory (Serum virology, Serum chemistry, Haematology, Urinalysis, Coagulation, Serum or urine pregnancy tests)	• Yes	• Yes		



We provide the highest levels of quality and compliance for all clinical trials. We are fully GCP (Good Clinical Practice) compliant, ensuring that all data collected is accurate, reliable and trustworthy. With our extensive experience in clinical research, we guarantee the utmost excellence in every aspect of our work.



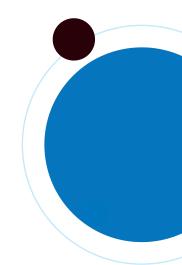




## CLINICAL RESEARCH STAFFING

The clinical research team comprises of clinical research nurses, clinical trials practitioners as well as a small management and governance team. We are focused on delivering a high standard of research in a variety of clinical areas throughout.

We have several offices and a small meeting space, which enables us to meet and collaborate with other teams and be a central hub for research activity.





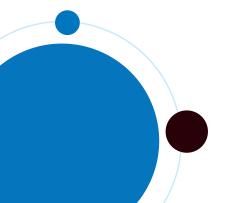
# RESEARCH STUDY MANAGEMENT

Our governance team manages all our clinical research projects through the cloud-based platform EDGE.



#### What is EDGE?

EDGE is a global clinical research management system used by 80% of England's NHS regions. EDGE enables users to manage studies from start to completion. The system provides complete control and oversight of participant recruitment.



## SUMMARY

Our state-of-the-art facilities, experienced team of researchers, and commitment to quality and compliance make us the ideal choice for all your clinical research needs.

We take pride in our work and are committed to delivering the highest level of excellence in all that we do.

We look forward to supporting your clinical trials.





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