FHI 360: Global research and services

More than 40 years of clinical research experience; a technically qualified, culturally sensitive staff; and on-the-ground presence in Africa, Asia, Latin America, North America and Europe.

Services
- Scientific leadership
- Study design
- Site identification and development
- Site monitoring, management and training
- Data quality and integrity
- Protection of participants’ safety and rights
- Research ethics training
- Community preparedness for clinical trials
- Research operations
- Logistical support

FHI 360 conducts and supports clinical research in resource-limited settings around the world. In collaboration with global networks and partner organizations, FHI 360 designs, implements, manages and monitors complex studies, including multisite and multicountry clinical trials. FHI 360 offers a full range of clinical research services that ensure efficient, cost-effective trials with reliable results. We bring technical, regulatory and cultural expertise and an established presence in regions where the need and opportunity for clinical research are greatest.

A leader in global clinical research
- We support every aspect of Phase I to Phase IV clinical trials.
- We conduct clinical trials in HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, malaria, dengue, tuberculosis, influenza, rotavirus, human papillomavirus and reproductive health.
- We research the safety and efficacy of therapeutics, vaccines, devices and reproductive and contraceptive technologies.
- Our expertise includes infectious disease, cardiovascular disease, oncology, diabetes, asthma, autoimmune disease, gastroenterology and respiratory disease.
- We partner with leading public and private medical research organizations, including the U.S. National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Agency for International Development, academic institutions, and major pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies.

We scale our involvement to meet our partners’ needs — from designing a protocol or selecting a site to fully planning, implementing and managing the trial from start to finish.
Country presence that builds capacity

FHI 360 has offices throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America, North America and Europe. FHI 360’s global presence is deep-rooted; we want our research to improve lives in the countries where we work. Our in-country staff provide keen insights into local environments, informing considerations such as local health-related behaviors, access to populations and study sites, and regulatory requirements. Our staff

- Enjoy solid relationships with governments, ministries of health and local partners
- Navigate regulatory bodies, institutional review boards and national ethics committees — and conduct clinical trials that meet their requirements
- Train research-naïve sites to become fully ICH-GCP/GLP compliant, building capacity for the future
- Understand the customs and values of the communities where we work

This knowledge guides our planning and management of each clinical trial, enabling us to monitor local conditions (from adjusting travel around seasonal weather to accounting for political and security issues) and anticipate challenges.

Expertise in challenging settings

FHI 360 experts routinely handle challenges such as managing electronic data collection in countries with limited Internet access, obtaining reliable diary data from subliterate trial participants, maintaining high retention rates over long periods and doing long-term follow-up with participants in migratory populations. In one trial, we recruited heavily from migrant farmworkers, developed strong relationships and engaged community workers to help with outreach, which resulted in high retention of participants.

Setting the standard in research ethics

Our record of scientific integrity and ethical conduct has earned FHI 360 the respect of health ministries and medical professionals around the world. At every clinical trial site, we implement FHI 360’s award-winning research ethics training, which the World Health Organization has adapted to train its own staff. We also engage stakeholders to ensure community support, encourage recruitment and retention, and ensure accurate and ethical media communications on trial conduct and results.

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