

Investigational Drug Services Note to File

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To: UNC Research Community
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Re: Temporary policy change regarding external visitors to UNC IDS in response to COVID-19

In order to align practices in UNC Investigational Drug Services (IDS) with university and health system policies for the prevention of the spread of COVID-19 and to exercise an abundance of caution, IDS is implementing a temporary policy to not allow any external visitors into the pharmacy or our receiving areas. More information on the university response can be found at <https://www.unc.edu/coronavirus>.

For the purposes of this policy, 'external visitors' will include any monitors, sponsor representatives, or any non-UNC employee. UNC coordinators and other internal partners will be allowed to visit IDS for picking up dispenses or to work with IDS staff.

We will be cancelling all monitoring visits and other visits by external partners and ask that you work with us to be as accommodating as possible given the circumstances. We will do what we can to make documents and data available remotely, but some studies, particularly those with a majority of documentation kept on paper records, may simply require monitoring visits to be rescheduled for a future date.

Thank you for your patience as we try to protect our patients and our coworkers and to be good stewards in the face of the growing spread of COVID-19 in the United States.

Thank you,



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