

CERTIFIED UK CLINICAL TRIALS PROJECT MANAGER

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UK clinical trials project management is highly complex due to multifaceted challenges like recruitment. regulatory approvals. and resource coordination. On average. pharmaceutical-led projects face 102 days for R&D approvals, 90 days for ethics, and 83 days for regulatory clearance, significantly slowing trial initiation. Additionally, 45% of multicenter trials fail to recruit 80% of target participants on leading to costly delays. Managing stakeholders across diverse sites and adhering to stringent regulations adds significant operational complexity in UK trials.

This certified program is designed to equip you with robust, end-to-end knowledge of clinical trial project management within the UK's regulatory ecosystem. You will gain a understanding of UK Clinical comprehensive Regulation, MHRA and HRA requirements, the Clinical Trial (CTA) process, and Authorisation Combined submissions through the Integrated Research Application System (IRAS). You will explore the full trial lifecycle from protocol design and site initiation to monitoring, data management, pharmacovigilance, and study closure ensuring compliance with both national and international standards.

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Through practical case studies and interactive sessions, you will develop the ability to apply Quality-by-Design principles, conduct effective risk-based quality management (RBQM), and oversee vendors. CROs. and research sites with program measurable KPIs. The also covers critical competencies in ethical informed approvals, consent (including e-Consent for vulnerable populations), safety reporting under E2 and E19, and maintaining inspection readiness through strong documentation practices, including the Trial Master File (TMF) and Good Documentation Practices (GDP).

Beyond regulatory compliance, you will develop proven clinical trial project management strategies to anticipate and mitigate trial delays, accelerate ethics and governance approvals, and optimize patient recruitment across NHS networks. Through real world case studies and practical applications, you will master stakeholder alignment across sponsors, CROs, investigators, and regulatory authorities, while integrating validated digital systems to strengthen audit readiness and real-time data oversight.

Upon successful completion, you will attain the Certified UK Clinical Trials Project Manager (CCT™) designation, recognized certification that validates professional competence to lead, manage, and oversee complex clinical trials in compliance with MHRA, HRA, and ICH-GCP (R3) standards. This industry-recognized certification has lifelong validity and positions you as a trusted leader in the UK clinical research and project management.

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KEY SKILLS YOU WILL GAIN

From This Program





YOUR FACULTY DIRECTOR

Fiona Wallace, BSc (Hons)

Renowned Clinical Research Director, Global Trainer, and Certified GCP Compliance Expert

Fiona Wallace is an accomplished clinical research leader and educator with over 25 years of global experience spanning CROs and pharmaceutical organizations across multiple continents. As **Director of FW Clinical Research**, she has successfully led **Phase I-IV clinical trial studies across multiple disciplines**, bringing deep operational insight into every stage of the clinical trial process.

Renowned for her engaging and practical teaching style, Fiona designs high-impact learning solutions that drive workforce engagement, retention, and regulatory excellence. Her expertise covers clinical monitoring, project management, global clinical regulatory training, and inspection readiness, with a strong focus on GCP compliance, data integrity, and patient safety.

A respected Board Member of The Institute of Clinical Research (ICR), Fiona actively collaborates with UK universities to inspire the next generation of life science professionals. Her mission is to cultivate excellence, resilience, and ethical integrity across the global clinical research community.

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MODULE 1 - UK CLINICAL RESEARCH LANDSCAPE AND ECOSYSTEM

- Key UK Stakeholders: MHRA, HRA, REC, NIHR, NHS Trusts
- UK Clinical Trials Regulation and Post-Brexit Implications
- Commercial and Academic Trial Dynamics
- Industry Trends and Strategic Opportunities
- Interplay of the EU CTR with GCP R3
- Comparative Analysis of ICH Regions and Their National Regulatory Requirements

MODULE 2 - ICH-GCP PRINCIPLES AND COMPLIANCE (E6 R2/R3)

- Core Principles and Key Updates in ICH E6(R2) & R3
- Responsibilities of Project Managers under GCP
- Data Integrity and Quality Standards
- Integrating GCP into Daily Workflows
- New Approaches by R3 Risk Proportionate Approach

MODULE 3 - RESEARCH GOVERNANCE AND ETHICS FRAMEWORK

- NHS Research Governance Principles
- Differentiating Research Governance vs.
 Ethics vs. Regulatory Approvals

- Combined Review and Integrated Research Application System (IRAS)
- Governance Processes in NHS Trusts

MODULE 4 - ETHICAL APPROVAL AND INFORMED CONSENT

- Process of REC and HRA Submission and Review
- Role and Perspective of Ethics Committee Members
- Informed Consent Design (Paper, eConsent, Vulnerable Groups)
- Ethical Considerations in Trial Design

MODULE 5 - CLINICAL TRIAL AUTHORISATION (CTA) PROCESS

- MHRA Submission Requirements and Notification Schemes
- Key Documents: Protocol, Investigator's Brochure, IMPD
- Combined Review Mechanics and Timelines
- Maintaining and Updating CTA Authorizations

MODULE 6 - PROTOCOL DEVELOPMENT AND AMENDMENTS

 Quality by Design and Critical to Quality Factors



- Scientific and Operational Alignment in Protocol Drafting
- Substantial vs. Non-Substantial Amendments
- Managing Protocol Changes and Timelines

MODULE 7 - SITE SELECTION, INITIATION, AND OVERSIGHT

- Feasibility Assessments and Site Qualification Criteria
- Conducting Efficient Site Initiation Visits (SIVs)
- Ongoing Site Engagement and Performance Management
- Handling Non-Compliance and Protocol Deviations

MODULE 8 - PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES

- Project Lifecycle Planning and Milestone Tracking
- Risk Assessment and Risk-Based Quality Management (RBQM)
- Budget Control, Forecasting, and Resource Allocation
- Issue Escalation, Continuous
 Improvement, and Documentation

MODULE 9 - CLINICAL TRIAL CONTRACTS AND VENDOR MANAGEMENT

- Vendor Identification, Selection, and Oualification
- Contractual Terms, Negotiation, and Templates (CROs, Sites, Vendors)
- Oversight Responsibilities and KPIs for Third Parties
- Managing Amendments, Service Delays, and Deliverables
- Practical Measures for How to Conduct Oversight and What an Inspector Would Want to See in Place

MODULE 10 - DATA MANAGEMENT AND EDC OVERSIGHT

- Data Lifecycle in Clinical Trials and Regulatory Expectations
- CRF Design, Query Management, and Database Lock
- Computerised Systems Validation (CSV) and Audit Trails
- Ensuring ALCOA++ Principles and GDPR Compliance

MODULE 11 - SAFETY REPORTING AND PHARMACOVIGILANCE

 Definitions and Classifications of AEs/SAEs/SUSARs



- Safety Documentation: DSUR, SUSAR Timelines
- Role of DMCs and Safety Monitoring Boards
- Reporting to MHRA and Ethics Committees
- Revised Safety Reporting Requirements
 Under R3 in Alignment with E2 and E19

MODULE 12 - MONITORING, QA, AND INSPECTION READINESS

- Centralized, Remote, and On-site Monitoring Models
- Quality Assurance (QA) vs. Quality Control (QC)
- MHRA Inspection Process, Planning, and CAPA Management
- Common Audit Findings and Mitigation Strategies

MODULE 13 -TRIAL MASTER FILE (TMF) AND DOCUMENTATION

- TMF Reference Model and Essential Document Management
- Best Practices in Good Documentation Practice (GDP)
- eTMF Systems and Real-time Audit Readiness

- Archiving and Record Retention Obligations
- Proportionate Documentation
 Management Under R3: Referencing DIA
 CDISC TMF Model

MODULE 14 - STUDY CLOSURE, REPORTING AND TRANSPARENCY

- Clinical Study Reports (CSR) and Lay Summaries
- Database Lock and Statistical Analysis
 Plan Execution
- Summary Results Posting and Public Disclosure
- Transparency Initiatives (e.g., EU CTR, UK HRA Expectations)

MODULE 15 - INNOVATIONS AND FUTURE OF UK CLINICAL TRIALS

- O'Shaughnessy Report and UK Strategy for Clinical Research Growth
- Decentralized and Hybrid Trial Models
- Digital Health Tools (ePROs, Wearables, Telemedicine)
- AI/ML Applications in Recruitment, Monitoring, and Risk Detection
- Influence and Application of Annex 2

EXAMINATION

YOUR CHARTER DESIGNATION



Chartered Institute of Professional Certifications' programs are unique as they provide you with professional charter designations and marks that can be used across your lifetime once you have completed our programs.

Upon completing the program and passing the Chartered exam, you will be awarded with the **Certified UK Clinical Trials Project Manager (CCT™) designation** that can be used in your resume, CV and other professional credentials. This certification is industry-recognized with lifelong validity.

Globally demanded and recognized, this certification demonstrates your expertise in navigating the UK's complex clinical trial regulatory landscape. It equips you the expertise to manage trial operations, ensure GCP compliance, and uphold the highest standards of ethics, safety, and data integrity. Developed by **Chartered Institute of Professional Certifications**, the content of this program has been independently accredited by **CPD Certification Service** as adhering to the highest standards of continuing professional principles.

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