

ePCTs in Context

Small Group Work and Panel Discussion With NIH Collaboratory
Trial Investigators

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Learning goals



- Hear a brief description of the NIH Collaboratory Trials being utilized as case studies for the small group activity
- Small Group Discussion:
 - Breakout into small groups
 - Each group discusses 1 question
 - Report back to the group
- Panelists discuss how they handled the challenges
- Reflect on the challenges, solutions & lessons learned of the morning topics, to include Q&A.

NIH Collaboratory Trial Panelists

- Vincent Mor, PhD
 - PROVEN
- Angelo Volandes, MD, MPH
 - ACP PEACE

Small Group Discussion

ACP PEACE: Measuring Outcomes

- The trial's primary outcome was documentation of advanced care planning (ACP), but oncologists rarely use the structured variable in the electronic health record to record ACP. **How would you approach this problem?**

ACP PEACE: Engaging with Health System Partners

- The ACP PEACE trial learned that some participating health systems have not established a method for patients to opt out of having their deidentified data used for research purposes. **How would you approach this problem?**

PROVEN: Engaging with Health System Partners

- Experience with PROVEN showed a lack of fidelity to the intervention (a video), that quarterly case conferences are not times to discuss things with patient and caregiver, and that the health care systems and clinicians are overwhelmed with work, so adding a video to the workflow was challenging. **What changes could be made to address these challenges in the next trial?**

PROVEN: Engaging with Health System Partners

- During the PROVEN trial, there was turnover in key roles in the healthcare system and at nursing homes. Both healthcare system partners experienced turnover in the system implementation liaison role, and more than half of nursing homes had at least 1 champion turnover. **How would you approach this problem?**

Reflection on Today's Topics

- What are embedded pragmatic clinical trials (ePCTs)?
- Engaging and aligning with health system and community partners
- ePCT Design and Analysis
- Measuring Outcomes