

Office of the Director of Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Centers (GCRCs)

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MEMORANDUM

To: Principal Investigators and Study Team

From: Colleen S. Kraft, MD, MSc
Director, Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Centers (GCRCs)

Re: Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Centers (GCRCs) Fee Schedule Description

The Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Centers (GCRCs) is a service center focused on providing resources to support Principal Investigators within the Emory research community. With multiple sites located at Emory University Hospital, Emory University Hospital Midtown, and Grady Memorial Hospital, we offer a range of services from Outpatient clinical care to Bionutrition & Exercise Physiology. We also offer Study Coordinator Support and Laboratory Processing.

This memorandum is intended to outline our pay-as-you-go services through the Emory School of Medicine (SOM) approved fee schedule rate.

One-time Cost:

Study Start-up Fee - \$1,842

Research studies utilizing the Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Centers services are assessed a one-time Study Start-up Fee. This cost is inclusive, but not limited to, the Administrative team's effort in review of study documentations such as the protocol and lab manual, and development of project specific budget. This fee also covers the Clinical Trial Management (CR Assist) setup process, Coordinator tracking mechanism, SAC application, review and approval process and Roundtable.

Subsidy Recapture Fee - \$1,158

All GCRC service fees are subsidized from internal and external sources. The one-time Subsidy Recapture Fee is applicable to all Industry Sponsored research projects only.

Phlebotomy Training Course - \$603

Phlebotomy 101 is an introductory training to venipuncture. The two-day course and clinical, is led by the GCRC Nurses who provide hands-on training in teaching venipuncture to research coordinators. This course is offered to Emory University (SOM), Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM), and University of Georgia (UGA) faculty and staff.

Clinical Outpatient Rate (per subject/per visit):

inclusive but not limited to:

Nursing Level 1 - \$95

Nursing procedures including minimal set-up, vital signs, specimen collection, medication pick-up.

Nursing Level 2 - \$154

Nursing procedures including routine set-up, 12-Lead EKG (1) or more timepoints, IV placement, medication administration (PO, injection, topical), specimen collection (1 or multiple timepoints), vaccinations.

Nursing Level 3 - \$244

Nursing procedures including routine set-up, IV infusion, specimen collection (1 or multiple timepoints), coordination with other ancillary services.

Nursing Level 4 - \$356

Nursing procedures including advanced set-up, IV infusion, glucose tolerance test, complex sampling and monitoring schedule, lumbar puncture, or other invasive procedures.

Nursing Level 5 - \$520

Nursing procedures including advanced set-up, multiple infusions, biopsy (fat, muscle) extended visit with complex nursing intervention/monitoring, procedures requiring multiple nurses.

Nursing Level 6 - \$701

Nursing procedures including advanced set-up, medication titration, protocols that require 1:1 nursing care.

Nursing Level 7 - \$1,059

Nursing procedures that require conscious sedation or other Emory Healthcare competency-based requirements, complex protocols that require 2:1 nursing Care.

Hourly Rates:**Monitored Assisted Fee - \$50/hourly**

Nursing services for study projects that do not fall under the Nursing visit level. Please see visit levels outlined above.

Coordinator Service - \$87/hourly

The GCRC Coordinator pool offers a wide range of research coordination and management services for Investigators. The pool includes highly experienced, credentialed staff who provide a consistent level of

service throughout the life of the study. This is ideal for Investigators seeking assistance with management of multi-site trials or day-to-day oversight of research programs.

Bionutrition Service - \$107/hourly

The Bionutrition Unit facilitates state-of-the-art nutritional science research that provides support for protocol development, conducts well-controlled human feeding studies, and is trained to assess body composition, energy expenditure and exercise tolerance.

Lab Labor Rate - \$55/hourly

The GCRC Core Laboratory offers Sample Processing to fit your protocol needs. Short and long-term sample storage (4°C, -20°C, -80°C). Sample barcoding and tracking using sophisticated Laboratory Information Management Software (LIMS) and Laboratory expertise for your protocol planning, set-up, and initiation.

Sample Processing Charges:

Whole Blood Processing – \$11/unit

(1) Unit = 1 – 5 aliquots

Serum Processing - \$18/unit

(1) Unit = 1 – 5 aliquots

Plasma Processing - \$18/unit

(1) Unit = 1 – 5 aliquots

Buffy Coat Processing - \$13/unit

(1) Unit = 1 – 2 aliquots

Urine Processing - \$12/each

Pregnancy Test - \$12/each

Drug Test - \$12/each

Dip Stick - \$12/each

Saliva Processing - \$12/unit

(1) Unit = 1 -2 aliquots

Stool Processing - \$13/unit

(1) Unit = 1 -2 aliquots

PBMC Processing with CPT Tube (gene expression) - \$40/unit

(1) Unit = 1 – 2 aliquots

PBMC Processing with CPT Tube (for immediate pickup) - \$35/unit

(1) Unit = 1 -2 aliquots

RNA Processing - \$18+ per sample

Cost is dependent on time, Study Design, Quality Control (QC) and Supplies

DNA Processing - \$18+ per sample

Cost is dependent on time, Study Design, Quality Control (QC) and Supplies

Nucleic Extraction Processing - \$18+ per sample

Cost is dependent on time, Study Design, Quality Control (QC) and Supplies

Lab Sample Storage Service - \$33/monthly or \$396/annually

(long term \geq 1 month)

Biorepository Service - \$50/per sample

The Georgia CTSA Clinical Research Center at Emory has established a COVID-19 Biorepository that includes residual nasopharyngeal (NP) swab samples from over 1,700 patients known to be COVID-19 positive or negative.

** The Laboratory processing cost structure has changed from an hourly rate to fixed cost.*

** To align with Industry billing standards, all payments for services will be automatically processed after the 7th-business day of invoice submission.*

** A 30-day invoicing and billing dispute policy has been implemented to ensure all accounts are recorded appropriately.*