The Diversity in Early Development Clinical Trials Research Grants Program is supporting four teams to increase diversity among participants in Phase 1 and Phase 2 cancer clinical trials. The objective is to increase accessibility for patients of all racial and ethnic backgrounds and/or medically underserved locations to equally participate in studies.

Each Team is bringing together key stakeholders that are deeply connected to the impacted communities, integrating social/behavioral determinants of health, community engagement and outreach with cancer biology, prevention, and treatment, and realizing the ideal of health equity. To accomplish this, the Transferring Care to Enhance Access to Early-phase Cancer Clinical Trials team will:

(1) Implement a program for screening, recruiting, and enrolling patients from a safety-net medical system on early-phase cancer clinical trials in a university-based NCL-designated cancer center.

(2) Determine program impact and efficiency; and

(3) Determine experience with and perceptions of the program.