



# Clinical Trials Preparation Checklist: General Information You Should Know

As you consider adding clinical trials to your cancer care plan, being prepared can help make the process smoother and more efficient. The way you answer each question will be specific for your situation—there are no right or wrong answers. Some questions will be easy to answer; others may be difficult. The information may also change over time and you may need to update it. That is expected and encouraged. This list is a starting point to begin reviewing information you should know and keep in mind.

## Know about your cancer:

- What type of gynecologic cancer do you have? (Example: Uterine, Ovarian, Cervical, Vaginal, Vulvar)
- What stage is this cancer?
- What grade is this cancer?
- How long have you had this cancer?
- Is this your first treatment for this cancer?
- What other treatments have you had for this cancer?

## Know about your cancer history:

- What other cancers have you had before?
- What treatments (including medications, radiation, surgeries) have you had before?

## Know about your medical information:

- Do you have copies of your current medical records, including lab tests, over-the-counter medications, and prescription histories?
- Do you have problems with your heart, kidney, or liver?
- Do you have drug allergies?
- Have you had genetic risk assessment or genetic testing in the past? Do you have the results available?
- What other health conditions do you have?
- Do you have a list of your current healthcare providers? (doctors, surgeons, radiologists)

## Know about your limitations:

- Will you have transportation to the study or is it close to your home?
- Do you have a mobile device or other ways to communicate electronically?
- Will you need help with language translation?
- Do you have accessibility requirements due to wheelchair or mobility difficulties or hearing or sight impairment?
- Do you have a caretaker or someone who should be included in your care?
- Do you need assistance contacting your insurance for questions about cost? (Some studies cover unexpected costs like travel or childcare. It is important to ask about this upfront)
- Are you able to do daily activities on your own?