How to optimise your supply strategy

The clinical trial space is currently facing unprecedented challenges due to global supply chain issues. As timelines are increasingly tight and industry stakeholders are having to adapt to constant changes, **Clinigen** provides a dynamic range of integrated clinical trial supplies solutions.

The increase in pressure on the supply chain can put a trial's clinical supplies management at risk. Equipping your study with a solid supply programme from the onset can mitigate the impact of external influences and be a determining factor in its success.

Configuring a qualitative, compliant and efficient supply strategy will set you on the path to success. Since clinical trials are subject to change, it is important to also ensure that you have the ability to adapt your strategy while keeping the study on track. Trust in established procedures is important and determine whether your supply programme has the needed flexibility to be able to react quickly to changes in patient cohorts, trial sites, supply allocations and more.

Agile and experienced providers have the best resources to provide specific and innovative solutions.

Enable flexibility with risk-based optimisation

Risk-based optimisation is a data-driven method, which allows for proactive as well as reactive risk management for clinical supplies. Through technology, you can obtain an accurate picture of a clinical supplies project at a given time.

The analytics provided drive greater efficiency as they help to make informed decisions regarding drug allocation to help limit waste, manage risk, and ensure trial continuity.

Consider geographic coverage

For international trials, having access to a wide network of depots is vital. A global clinical supplies partner, which covers the key geographic areas of your trial will ensure that medication is brought to patients quickly and efficiently.

What's more, working with a global supplier that has local entities where comparator products can be purchased, received and held locally in owned depots, results in better pricing.

Prioritise your trial's specificities

There's no such thing as a one-size-fits-all clinical supplies management programme. An agile and experienced provider will have the resources to propose innovative solutions and the best methods for your specific project, in order to develop a clinical supplies strategy tailored to your needs.

Plan ahead for post-trial access

Once a clinical trial is complete, and the sponsor company has the required data available, the company has an obligation to the patients who took part in the trial. Considering the often-substantial lag time between regulatory approval and commercial availability in certain countries, it's important to plan early for post-trial access. Working with a single provider that can also meet pre-approval obligations will help streamline the process and create efficiencies.

Look for a 360° approach

By working with a provider who fully supports the full life-cycle of a medicine, you can benefit from the expertise they can leverage for your trial. As part of Clinigen Group, Clinigen Clinical Supplies Management acts as an advisor to its clients to provide tailored clinical supplies management services. With a global infrastructure and sites across Europe, America, Asia Pacific and Africa and over 25 years of experience managing shipments to 110+ countries, it partners with its clients to devise a supplies programme that meets the specific needs of the trial, from Phase I to Phase IV projects. ●

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