Planning for clinical trial testing can be challenging for a nimble biotech with limited resources, unique study requirements and the pressures of making the next program milestone on time. Here are five easy ways to evaluate your trial’s safety and esoteric testing options so you choose the right solution to ensure you stay on track to meet stakeholder expectations, expedite results reviews and advance your clinical trial successfully.

1. **Support Enrollment With Unique Sample Collection Kits**

There’s a growing pipeline of novel oncology and orphan molecules particularly within nimble biotech firms. These studies call for unique sample collection kits to meet specific protocol requirements. You – and your investors – can’t afford to miss patient enrollment milestones, the leading cause of clinical trial overruns.

**Unique Solution:** Leverage our automated kit production capabilities to customize sample collection kits to your specific trial needs. As a result, you can expect more than 99% on-time arrival of supplies that enable you to enroll patients right away. And, by working with the clinical trial testing team that investigators prefer 3 to 1 over the next competitor, you are more likely to recruit the right investigators for your trial – regardless of its size – and keep your study progress on pace.

2. **Trust in Reliable Logistics and Proactive Contingency Planning**

From study site collections to shipping and sample handling, many things can happen that impact logistics and timelines – including sample safety and unforeseeable events.

**Unique Solution:** With a dedicated team of logistics experts and proactive contingency plans that cover the gamut – from power outages to earthquakes and hurricanes – your samples arrive safe and within stability. High-performance logistics make the most of limited resources where economies of scale enable consolidation of shipments to streamline and create efficiencies for your program. A single central laboratory services partner who manages all the links in the chain for you – personnel, systems and suppliers – enables you to stay focused on your results.

3. **Ensure Stable, Speedy Sample Receipt**

Your samples are precious and especially in oncology and orphan drug studies, are irreplaceable. Every sample counts and must arrive on time. Even a single shipment delay can add up to $25,000 to replace a study patient.

**Unique Solution:** A dedicated logistics process and unique courier relationships assure priority handling for your specimens on their journey to the central lab. Upon arrival, innovations such as automated box opening, rapid scanning of barcoded requisitions, and automated ambient sample sorting deliver samples to the lab more than 99% on time for analysis.
4. Rely on Dedicated and Experienced Project Management

With the complexities and challenges of drug development today, it requires extra support to handle the day-to-day details and seamlessly connect the dots between study milestones. A resource that’s limited at many biotech firms.

Unique Solution: Work with a dedicated project manager that is your single point of contact who is well-versed and dedicated to biotech clinical trials. Your decision-making is empowered with efficient processes that help you navigate the intricacies of your study, streamline engagement with any specialty labs required for esoteric testing and ensure you have timely updates on the status of your program.

5. Extend Your Testing Options with Specialty Labs

Clinical trials increasingly rely on biomarker and specialty testing from esoteric labs, necessitating quality performance and robust data – regardless of where the testing is performed.

Unique Solution: Expanded Laboratory Management Solutions (ELMS) can help you select, oversee and monitor your testing network from end to end. Tap into an unmatched level of access to expert scientists and more than 3,000 assays through the LabCorp network to meet your unique requirements. ELMS delivers greater efficiencies and drastically reduces your management fees with established economies of scale. Verify your data integrity to meet regulatory requirements and keep your testing on track with a reliable partner.

Accelerate your clinical trial with Central Laboratory Services Designed Around You® and based on insight gained by collaborating with more than 600 biotechs each year. Unprecedented esoteric testing solutions are enabled by unique automation capabilities, dedicated logistics and experienced Project Management teams to seamlessly complement your clinical trial and propel your program forward.

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