

## **Scientific Abstract**

## SU2C Diversity in Early Development Clinical Trials Research Grants Program:

"Accelerating and Diversifying Access to Clinical Trials"

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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 Accelerating and Diversifying Access to Clinical Trials team will:

- (1) Develop infrastructure/personnel to extend early phase clinical trials.
- (2) Provide extensive patient support and services to support patients in early phase clinical trials; and
- (3) Leverage community and patient engagement for community education and integrating existing community services to support early phase clinical trials participation.