



# Cognizant® Shared Investigator Platform

Transform clinical trials: Efficient, collaborative, virtual

**Reduce costs, improve investigator experience and accelerate clinical trials.**

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the clinical trial landscape.

Cognizant® Shared Investigator Platform (SIP) provides a way forward, enabling sponsors to meet the challenges of the current environment while providing a better trial experience to clinical researchers.

Cognizant SIP is a cloud-based solution, built and developed by a consortium of leading biopharmaceutical companies that came together to share information

and standardize workflows. As the industry's premier clinical trials operations platform, Cognizant SIP provides a single point of access for clinical trial stakeholders, transforming how sponsors and sites collaborate. Site selection, communications and management are all hosted on a secure platform tailored for the needs of sites and investigators.

Cognizant SIP streamlines and decentralizes the trial process. Equally important, it provides new conveniences that dramatically improve the experience for investigators and reduce clinical trial cycle times.



## How it works

With Cognizant SIP, sponsors gain the ability to manage site selection, document exchange and workflows across multiple studies, sites and countries.

SIP enables investigators and their staff to input and manage information that is commonly and repeatedly requested by sponsors, so there is a central repository through which sponsors can access this critical information—eliminating many of the redundant activities imposed on sites.

Investigators and their staff keep their information updated in SIP through their SIP Profiles, which gives sponsors accurate and up-to-date information for tens of thousands of participating investigators and site staff, improving site selection and accelerating clinical trial feasibility. Cognizant SIP allows site users the flexibility and control to configure which sponsors can view their user profile during the registration process or update their choices at any point after they have registered. Consistent with GDPR privacy principles, sponsors can search and view site user profile information for only those users who have consented to share their profile with that sponsor.

Cognizant SIP improves clinical trial processes, as many site documents are ready and waiting to be leveraged when a new study is launched. Because participating sites' profiles and documents are centrally stored, sponsors no longer have to spend time going back and forth to request information and documentation for each trial.

## Reducing the trial burden for sites

Cognizant SIP brings new capabilities and convenience to clinical research sites. Site participation in clinical trials is often a headache. Investigators typically log into separate systems for each trial they support, juggling multiple

user names and passwords as they log in and out several times a day. Largely due to the administrative burden that detracts from patient care, 54% of principal investigators only conduct one study.

Cognizant SIP minimizes the wasted time of multiple systems. Its secure single sign-on (SSO) links investigators quickly and easily to multiple sponsors' clinical trial technologies and tools. As a communications and document management hub, Cognizant SIP enables sponsor study teams to collaborate smoothly and seamlessly. It also enables the creation of a shared study workspace for sites and sponsors—and dramatically reduces trial burden for sites.

## Benefits for sponsors

With Cognizant SIP, your organization will be equipped to:

- **Accelerate site activation.** Search for sites, investigators and facilities based on your protocol requirements. Access site and facility profiles that are up to date and comprehensive.
- **Create virtual workspaces.** Collaborate with your sites by securely exchanging documents and information.
- **Enable remote collaboration with investigators.** Cognizant SIP enables clinical research associates (CRAs) to collaborate virtually with investigators and site staff, saving travel costs and limiting COVID-19 risk.
- **Maintain study oversight.** Site leaders gain a clear view of staff workloads so they can allocate resources effectively, as well as proactively identify and address risks and issues.
- **Track trial progress.** Dashboards and reports track trial progress, including milestones, safety information and interim analyses. CRAs can electronically request access to investigators' eRegulatory binder systems, reducing paperwork and manual data reviews.

- **Improve investigator experience.** Cognizant SIP leverages common workflows across sponsors, eliminating the need to learn different processes for different sponsors, alleviating much of the administrative burden of running clinical trials for multiple sponsors.
- **Keep communications accurate and current.** With its up-to-date roster of study and site contacts, Cognizant SIP ensures communications are routed to the correct sponsor and site personnel. Sponsors can create rules that ensure any site staff changes trigger applicable onboarding tasks, such as training and document completion.
- **Automate documentation.** Cognizant SIP makes it convenient to create, access and exchange documents. It automatically generates many site documents from site and investigator profiles already in the platform. Sponsors can easily access documents, such as electronically-signed CVs and Form 1572s. Investigators and other clinical stakeholders can review and acknowledge safety notifications across multiple studies.
- **Access virtual training courses.** Cognizant SIP's training module includes protocol-specific and other study-related offerings. Through the learning management system, sponsors recognize over 1,900 Mutually-Recognized Training (MRT) courses that sites can complete, reducing redundant training for sites. Training records are stored in a single location, enabling sponsors and sites to track them, avoid duplicate trainings and facilitate proper compliance and credit.

## 10 things sponsors can do with Cognizant SIP

1. Search for sites, investigators and facilities based on protocol requirements, leveraging up-to-date, comprehensive site and facility profiles
2. Design, distribute and analyze feasibility surveys in half the time it normally takes
3. Set up secure study workspaces where sites and stakeholders can view and exchange documents and important study information
4. Access documents, such as electronically-signed CVs and 1572s
5. Take advantage of a learning management system that recognizes over 1,900 MRT courses and tracks training in one location
6. Access investigator and clinical site trainings, including protocol-specific training
7. Manage sites remotely by simplifying and streamlining many of the required day-to-day processes
8. Develop and exchange key site documents with a module built exclusively for the platform
9. Distribute safety notifications by leveraging distribution rules for compounds and studies to disseminate and track acknowledgments for safety reports
10. Track study and site status with flexible reports and dashboards

Learn more about how Cognizant Shared Investigator Platform will enable your organization to manage virtual clinical trials and reduce costs, accelerate results and achieve new growth.

For more information, visit

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Cognizant's Life Sciences business unit partners with biopharmaceutical and med-tech companies to develop strategies and apply solutions to healthcare challenges across the value chain. Our services and products, including the Shared Investigator Platform (SIP), digitize interactions between sponsors and investigators across every phase, helping the industry subtract time from clinical development and add it to improving patient outcomes. To learn more, visit [cognizant.com/life-sciences](https://cognizant.com/life-sciences).



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