



August 11, 2020

To: Center Medical Directors, Data Managers, and IRB PIs

From: Eileen E. Tuschl, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, APNP
CIBMTR Data Operations Senior Manager
Customer Service & Education

Subject: **COVID-19 Impact to CIBMTR Network Centers – UPDATE to CPI**

On May 1, 2020, a [memo](#) from the CIBMTR was sent to Transplant Centers regarding steps CIBMTR was taking to lessen the burden on our centers. Our response to COVID-19 continues to evolve due to the fluid nature of the situation. The following information, processes, and guidelines will be continuously evaluated and updated as needed. We will continue to communicate as the situation changes.

For the most up-to-date information, please visit our webpage dedicated to COVID-19 (<https://www.cibmtr.org/Covid19/Pages/default.aspx>).

The following have been updated:

CPI & CTA

We want to thank everyone for their hard work in completing forms and supporting the CIBMTR research database during COVID-19. Even though CPI was suspended for the trimester ending April 30, 2020, 85% of centers still had a forms completion rate >75% for all product types.

We are pleased to announce CIBMTR is **reinstating CPI for the trimester ending December 31, 2020** for all product types (Allogeneic Related, Allogeneic Unrelated, Autologous, and Cellular Therapy (CT) infusions if applicable) via a “ramp-up” plan. To be compliant with CPI standards for the trimester ending December 31, 2020, as well as all previous trimesters, the below three requirements must be met:

1. Having current IRB documents (renewal letters and consents) on file with NMDP
2. Meeting the requirements of CTA
 - [List of 2019 HCT transplants](#): complete by **August 31, 2020**
 - [Review discrepancy file \(if applicable\), make any necessary corrections in FN3 and return corrected list of 2019 HCT transplants](#): complete by **October 1, 2020**
 - [Resolve all CTA2020 queries](#): complete by **December 1, 2020**
 - As a reminder, as your center completes each step of CTA for 2020, your weekly CPI summary report will then reflect Good Standing in the appropriate CTA category



3. Form completion of **at least 75%** of the required forms for all product types at each of three time periods. *As of July 23, 2020, 53% of centers have already reached this*
 - Allogeneic Related form completion
 - All three time periods
 - Allogeneic Unrelated form completion
 - All three time periods
 - Autologous form completion
 - All three time periods
 - Cellular Therapy form completion
 - All three time periods

Please note, for the **trimester ending April 30, 2021**, form completion will **increase to at least 90%** of the required forms for all product types at each of the three time periods.

If you believe your center cannot meet the requirements for the trimester ending December 31, 2020 due to burdens from COVID-19, please complete a CPI Exempt Request [HERE](#) **between October 15, 2020 and December 1, 2020**. Please note, the CIBMTR Data Operations Leadership Team will review requests and provide a response to your center within 5 business days.

Questions?

As a reminder, CIBMTR will continue to collect data and reimburse centers during this time. FormsNet3 is fully operational, including CIBMTR Center Support (<http://nmdp.service-now.com/csm>) to answer any of your center's questions.

We want to thank your center for your continued support of the CIBMTR research database. The CIBMTR research program could not be accomplished without your dedicated contributions and hard work. If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact Eileen Tuschl, Data Operations-Sr. Manager of Customer Service and Education at etuschl@mcw.edu.