

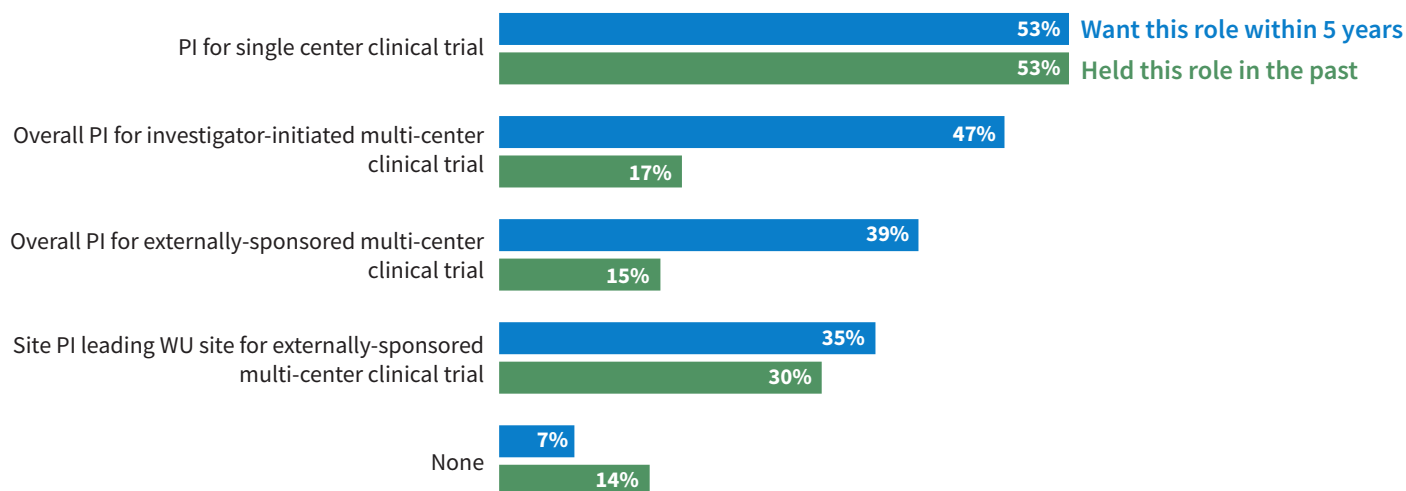
# Annual ICTS Survey: Trial-CARE

## ICTS members report barriers, cite needs for help and support in conducting clinical trials

The annual ICTS survey focuses on engagement and satisfaction with ICTS resources and services. Administered in late 2022, 801 (34%) ICTS members responded to the survey. This supplemental report describes the Trial-CARE module included in the 2022 member survey. **For this report, respondents include those who served as a PI for an investigator-initiated clinical trial (1 in 4 ICTS members) in the past 2 years or who plan to (1 in 3 ICTS members) in the next five years.**

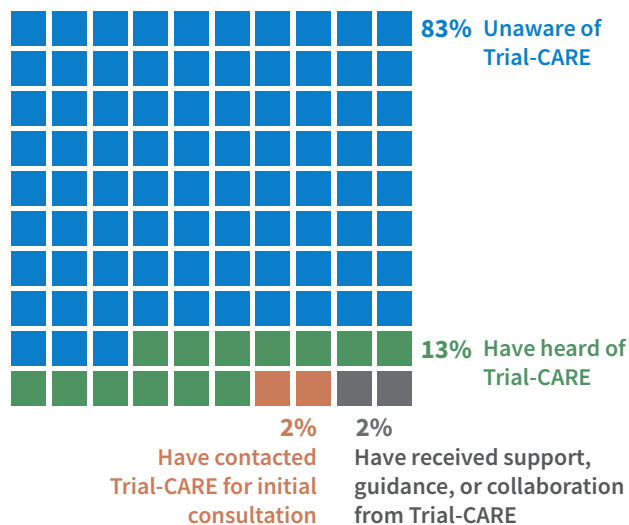
### Leadership roles, past and future

About **half of all members who responded said they have served as a PI for a single center trial** in the past *and/or* would like to in the future. For overall PI leadership roles, more than twice as many respondents plan to have those roles in the future than have held them in the past.



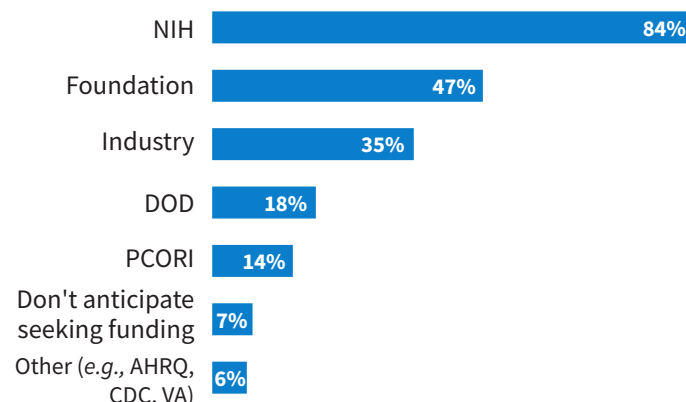
### Familiarity with Trial-CARE

A large majority of respondents were not familiar with Trial-CARE, an ICTS multi-dimensional clinical trial support service.



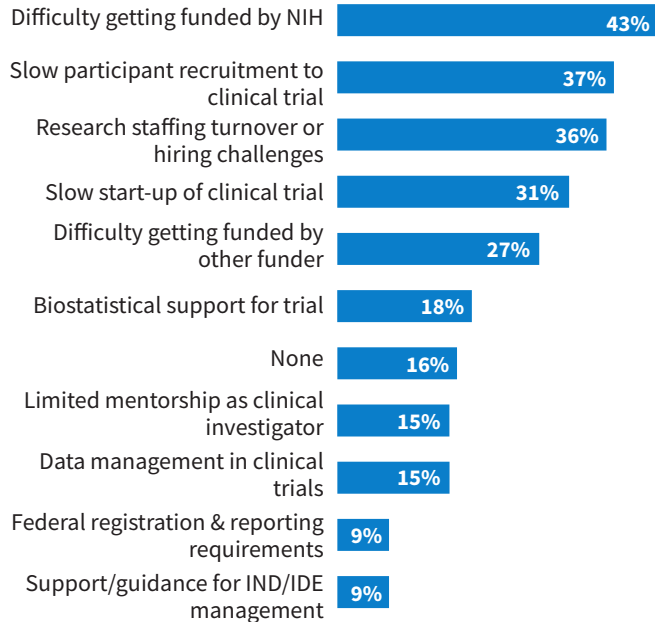
### Future funding sources

A large majority of respondents plan to seek funding in the next five years from NIH. Almost half will look to foundations and about a third will look for funding from industry.



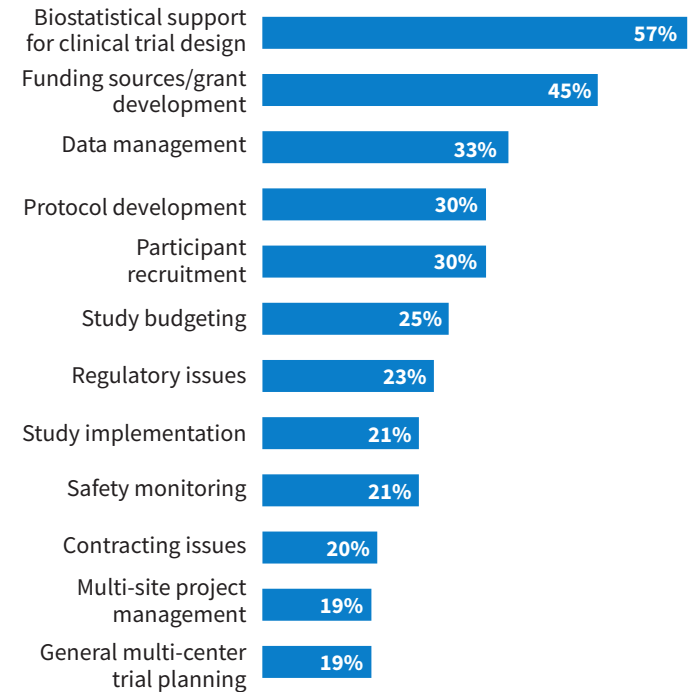
## Top barriers for clinical trials

Even though NIH was the most commonly sought funding source, **getting funded by the NIH** was reported as the top barrier. Other significant barriers included **slow participant recruitment** and **research staffing turnover** or other hiring challenges. Several respondents reported **difficulties with technical platforms**, including REDCap.



## Where respondents could use help

The top need for help was in **biostatistical support for clinical trial design**. Other areas were help with **funding sources and grant development**, **data management**, **protocol development**, and **participant recruitment**.



## Areas for improvement

Trial-CARE is moving toward being more proactive in offering support for clinical trials. Respondents reported that **these three types of support would be helpful**.

**67%**

would like Trial-CARE to offer brief webinars or in-person workshops on Trial-CARE services or clinical research topics

**59%**

would like Trial-CARE to reach out to individual investigators who are starting clinical trials

**30%**

would like Trial-CARE to include success stories in the ICTS Digest or on the website

“Offering training courses, workshops, tips, etc. for early investigators looking to start a team as a PI as well as resources for the eventual hires would be incredible time-saving and career building resources for both PIs and project managers.”

“Providing more support for recruitment. Patients who are seen in WashU clinics often don't live in the area and patients who live in the area, don't want to come to BJH—too difficult to park, navigate.”

