

SCRS Digital Innovation Initiative

Progress Meeting - July 29, 2020

The Digital Innovation Initiative met on July 29th, 2020 to discuss and learn about the great progress each of the individual working groups – Decentralized Trials and ePRO/Wearables – have made on their respective projects. Both workstreams are creating a Best Practices and Recommendations White Paper that will help sites and other industry partners be better prepared for the future of clinical trials.

Each of the workstream chairs shared updates for their respective groups around the progress each has been making on the first phase of the work. Both teams have been focused on first establishing the appropriate terms and definitions that will be used within the paper and perpetuated amongst the site community. The workstreams will next focus on creating the scope statement that will help define the goals, deliverables, constraints, and purpose of the subsequent best practices and recommendations that will be the main focus of the next phase.

The attendees were given an opportunity to learn about what each workstream is doing separately, as well as provide insight into the strategic direction of the work being done. It had been mentioned that as we embark on these next phases of work that we consider implementing a roadmap for the sites, helping them to know what technologies to adopt and when. It was also discussed that it will be continually important to assure that the industry knows through this work how important it is for the voice of the site to be heard and that they should consider site representation as they implement the respective technologies on trials. This harkens back to strongly recommending that sites be part of the conversation when it comes to protocol development. All suggestions that will be considered by both workstreams as work continues.

MaryAnne Rizk, Ph.D, SVP of Digital R&D Strategy at IQVIA has volunteered to fill the outstanding chair role for the ePRO and Wearables workstream. She will join Michael King in a leadership capacity to help drive the work forward and represent the respective workstream with the other chairs.

Our next meeting will be scheduled, tentatively for November 4th, 2020 where new updates will be shared on the progress made by each of the workstreams around the development of the scope and best practices or recommendations.

"Sites be part of the conversation."

Workstream Chairs:

Decentralized Trials



Amanda Rangel EVP of Business Development VirTrial

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