Health Bulletin

Cancer Trials Save Lives

(NAPSA)—Researchers are discovering new ways to win the war on cancer. They do so through clinical trials, research studies of new treatments or new ways to prevent the disease.



Clinical trials of cancer treatments and preventatives may save lives now and in the future.

Cancer clinical trials are the only way to translate the extraordinary breakthroughs made in laboratories around the country into new, more effective preventives and treatments for patients.

Patient enrollment in clinical trials remains low, however, as many people have significant misconceptions about the care they'll receive. Very strict guidelines safeguard people who enroll in clinical trials and placebos are never used in cancer treatment trials, only in prevention trials. Volunteers in a treatment trial will, at the very least, receive the best standard of care currently available to the public as well as receive exceptional medical support.

Virtually every insurance company covers the routine costs of participating in a clinical trial and patients can choose to leave a trial at any time.

For more information on what clinical trials are, or to search for a cancer clinical trial to participate in, visit the Cancer Research Foundation of America at www. preventcancer.org.