

# Accrual and Retention

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MTN-026 Study-Specific Training

# Participant Accrual

- Approximately 27 participants (male and females)
- Three sites: two sites in the U.S. (Alabama and Pittsburgh) and one site in Thailand (Bangkok, Silom Community Clinic)
- 6-8 months per site accrual period
  - Each site-specific accrual period may vary depending on when the first participant is enrolled at each site.
- Targeted accrual rate of about 1-2 participants per month per site

# Site-Specific Accrual Targets

	Sites		
	Alabama	Bangkok	Pittsburgh
Target	9	9	9

A minimum of six female participants will be enrolled in the study, at sites with capacity.

# Participant Retention

- For follow-up visits, retention will be based on whether participants complete the visit within the visit window.
- Overall, retention will be calculated as the percentage of the total number of visits completed by all participants (within their allowable visit window) divided by the number of visits expected for all participants.
- Target: 95% target for both measures

# Operational Considerations for Accrual...

- Track accrual rates and manage recruitment efforts over time
- Hold weekly meetings among staff involved in accrual activities
- Discuss accrual issues and strategies at monthly study team meetings
- Engage community representatives on accrual issues and strategies
- Make your best estimates of key “accrual ratios”
- Discuss the characteristics of “good candidates” for study participation



# Operational Considerations for Retention...

- Retention starts during the screening process
- Track retention rates and manage retention efforts over time
- Hold regular meetings among staff involved in retention to discuss current and ongoing strategies
- Discuss retention issues and strategies at regular study team meetings
- Retention is everyone's responsibility!



Questions?

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