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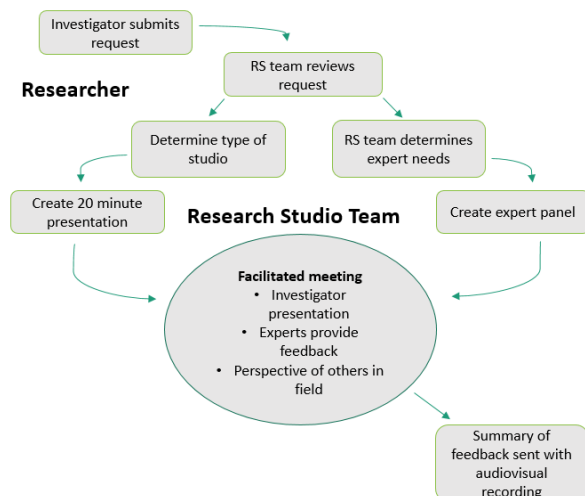
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Research Studios (RS)

WHAT ARE THEY? 90-minute interactive roundtable discussions for researchers to gain insight from 3-6 relevant experts for **hypothesis generation, study design, grant review, implementation, analysis and interpretation, manuscript review or translation.**

PROCESS



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- Formative input at any research stage of development
- Expert panel will always include biostatistician and IRB expert
- Helpful for investigators at any level
- Facilitates collaborations with neighboring institutions
- Formal process provides a highly efficient way to gather busy experts together
- Enhances research quality, may lead to new hypotheses and increases publications
- Ability to get fresh ideas from other experts in the field!!

Want to request a Research Studio?



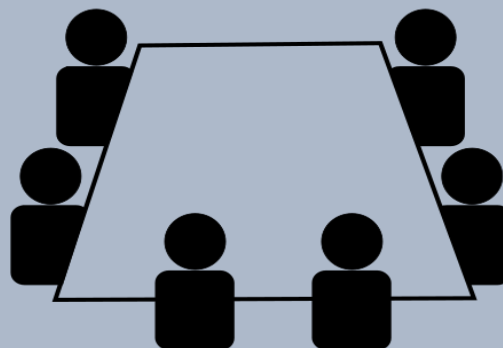
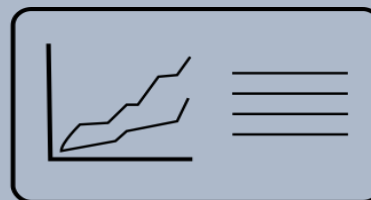
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stakeholders*



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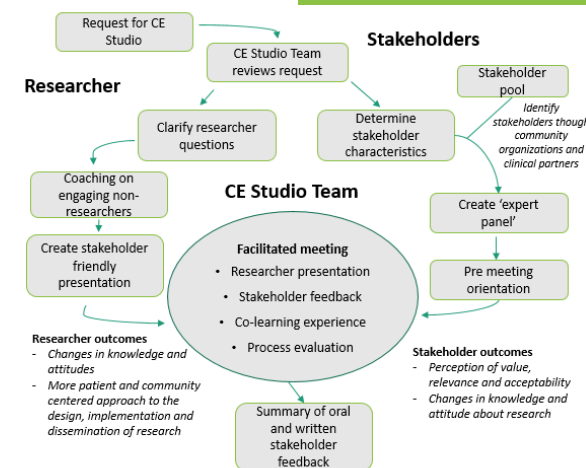
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Community Engagement Studios (CES)

WHAT ARE THEY? A studio in which researchers work directly with community members, patients, caregivers and other non-research stakeholders to get meaningful insight on the **planning, design, implementation, translation or dissemination of research.**

PROCESS¹



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- Streamline stakeholder engagement process into one structured meeting designed to lower engagement barriers
- Engages potential patient/community partners
- Community experts get to hear firsthand about research that will impact others with similar lived experiences
- Facilitates stronger relationships between researchers and the communities they are interested in working with
- Funders like to see these types of activities in grant applications
- Improves research by addressing:
 - Potential barriers to recruitment and retention
 - Feasibility for the patient population or community
 - Appropriateness of research documents (cultural/linguistic)

Is a CES right for your project?



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How is a CES
different from
a focus group?



Evaluation of
CES methods

