



## CENTER FOR CLINICAL AND TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE

TO: University of Massachusetts Medical School Faculty and Staff

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RE: **Updates: Clinical Research Operations and COVID19**

As a follow-up to the communication issued on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, we are writing to remind faculty and staff that after March 19, human subjects-related research visits are restricted to those essential to a subject's well-being. **The reduction in activities will remain in place through at least May 4, 2020.** Further guidance will be provided as more information becomes available.

Study teams are reminded to review the document *Joint Guidance from UMCCTS & UMMS COVID-19 Guidance for Investigators* (<https://www.umassmed.edu/ccts/covid-19/>) for additional updates.

Daily activity in the Clinical Research Center, including operation of outpatient clinics that utilize the space, is restricted at this time.

Office of Clinical Research Staff will be reviewing the OnCore Subject Visit detail report to determine what planned visits are to occur during this time period and will be reaching out as needed to study teams if it appears resources will be needed. **Please make sure all subject and visit detail is current in OnCore.**

Please contact Danielle Howard ([Danielle.Howard@umassmed.edu](mailto:Danielle.Howard@umassmed.edu)) with any questions or concerns.

Our most sincere thanks to all UMMS clinical research investigators and staff for working with us to ensure that we can continue to provide critical research resources, while trying to reduce new infections, thus preventing sustained community transmission of the virus.