The Clinical and Translational Research Center provides ancillary support for human research study protocols to underserved populations through outstanding education, research, and clinical services in the context of community engagement.

CTRC Facility at CDU

- 7 exam/procedure rooms
- Experienced and bilingual clinical staff
- On-Site Pharmacist
- Sample Processing Laboratory
- Consultation Room
- Conference Room

What services do we offer at the CTRC?

- Reduced - cost for clinical research services and laboratory assay fees
- Pharmacy Services including but not limited to study drug procurement, randomization, medication dispensing and pharmaceutical waste disposal
- Sample Processing Laboratory services include ambient and cold centrifuge, aliquoting, storage, and sample tracking
- Participant Transportation one-way or round trip within a 15 mile radius of CDU campus
- Flexible scheduling for study participants, walk-in visits welcomed and Saturdays by appointment
- Collaborative Community Research Partners with direct access to CDU’s Community Engagement Faculty and weekly radio broadcast
- Conference accommodations equipped with convenient technology for small meetings and focus groups
- IRB submission and budget preparation assistance
- Additional resources available as part of a cross-organizational collaboration with Cedars Sinai, LA BioMed/Harbor-UCLA and UCLA

CTRC Staff at CDU

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- Nurse Manager: O. Laurice Pitts, LVN
- Pharmacist: Peter Tom, Pharm D

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Network Resources consists of two units: 1) The Clinical Research Acceleration Unit (CRAU) interacts with the CTSA Network Trial Innovation Centers (TICs) to ensure rapid study start-up of clinical trials and assist investigators with high priority studies; 2) The Recruitment Unit has been established to interact with Research Innovation Centers (RICs) to ensure rapid subject recruitment to clinical trials. CRAU contact: Hazel Xavier, hxavier@mednet.ucla.edu, Recruitment Unit contact: Marianne Zachariah, mzachariah@mednet.ucla.edu

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