

In preparation for Clinical Trials Day we have been recognizing SOCRA members' impactful work and contributions to clinical research. Today we'd like to celebrate the work of clinical research professionals across the globe and to specifically highlight the five nominees below:



Beth Collins, MA, CCRP, Auditor, Clinical Research Office of the Vice President for Innovation & Research, Virginia Commonwealth University, Nominated by Shirley Helm, MS, CCRP, for her commitment to VCU's Quality in Clinical Research Program involving training, education, and resources for clinical research. Beth oversees an institution-wide tracking process for drug and device applications, works to standardize auditing and monitoring checklists for studies, and goes above and beyond to assure that faculty and staff have the educational resources they need to be successful. As stated by Shirley, "Beth demonstrates the characteristics of a Clinical Research Professional in each of her activities and is a role model to those aspiring to be effective members of the clinical research community."



Patti A. Feldt, AAS, CCRP, Training & Education Manager, Massey Cancer Center, Virginia Commonwealth University, Nominated by Shirley Helm, MS, CCRP, for her commitment to education, training, and the development of all persons within the clinical research arena. Patti promotes and champions quality clinical research and certification. She is also the Central VA SOCRA Chapter Co-Chair. As stated by Shirley "SOCRA was built upon people such as Patti. Working with Patti is an honor- she is creative in her approach to continuing educational opportunities, works tirelessly, and demonstrates a passion for clinical research professional education and training."



Rachel Kingsford, MS, CCRP, Training and Mentorship Manager, Huntsman Cancer Institute, Nominated by Curt Hampton, MBA, CCRP, for her mentorship of both new and experienced coordinators to promote quality clinical research, patient safety, data validity, and regulatory compliance. Rachel is also the Chapter Chairperson for the Utah SOCRA chapter. She is a champion of mentorship, continuing education, and training at both the University of Utah and beyond.



Kimberly Olsen-Wilson, MSHS, CCRP, Lead CRA, Renown Regional Medical Center, Nominated by Shannon Pierpoint, BSN, CCRP, for her continued work to improve the quality of research across her entire community, not only for their hospital, but the Northern Nevada area. Kimberly is also the Chapter Chairperson of the SOCRA Nevada Chapter. We're excited to highlight her work as a champion of certification, good clinical practice, and quality data. And as stated by Shannon, "For this, and so much more, I feel she deserves to be awarded and recognized as an outstanding research professional."



Susan Sharry, BS, CCRP, Program Manager, Huntsman Cancer Institute, Nominated by Susanna Fraser and Jamie White for not only her outstanding work in clinical research, but also her compassion and willingness to support others. Susan manages a large team of coordinators with complex trials and also works behind the scenes to streamline processes and strengthen clinical research at her site. As stated by Susanna "Susan's work ethic has earned her the respect of the entire clinical trials office and her genuine care for the well-being of others is an inspiration to all of us."