

SIGNIFICANCE OF PAEDIATRIC NETWORKS FOR GOOD CLINICAL TRIALS IN EUROPE

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[Abstract](#)

Background and Aims

Significance of paediatric networks for good clinical trials in Europe

Representing a multidisciplinary German network of paediatricians for clinical studies in ambulant patients -also member in the European Network of Paediatric Research- here will be shown, how early dialogue between sponsors and networks can facilitate the conduct of paediatric clinical trials and improve their quality by assessing medical needs, impacting on trial designs, facilitating site feasibility and optimising patient recruitment.

Especially it is highlighted that early dialogue across different stakeholders involved in clinical trials is paramount, with the network being the centre of communication between sponsor, contract research organization (CRO) and sites – in order to avoid delays and pitfalls in the trial conduct.

Examples of successful results of studies with networks` participation (publications) can be reported. Finally the benefits of early dialogue between sponsors and networks are discussed and also the need to increase awareness of the existence and purposes of the networks should be acknowledged. Therefore it is highlighted that the involvement of networks leads to better communication between stakeholders, helps reduce administrative burden and improves relationships with the clinical sites based on trust.

Methods

The organization, communication in the German Network of paediatricians for clinical studies in Ambulant Paediatrics (NETSTAP) are presented.

Results

Early dialogue between sponsors and networks can facilitate the conduct of paediatric clinical trials and improve their quality by assessing medical needs etc.

Conclusions

Involvement of networks leads to better communication between stakeholders, helps reduce administrative burden and improves relationships with the clinical sites based on trust.