Recruitment for Clinical Trials and Patient Surveys

By policy, the American Diabetes Association does not provide recruitment assistance for clinical trials or for patient surveys other than those that are directly conducted by the Association or are a part of an Association-funded research project.

There are many valid and worthwhile projects around the country at any given time, and many of them seek the Association’s assistance in reaching our constituents. Unfortunately, the Association lacks the resources to evaluate each project individually. Furthermore, the Association cannot risk being directly associated with specific clinical trials for liability reasons. The Association does not have the means to screen patient surveys to evaluate the accuracy of the information they contain, the security of the data gathered, or the validity of the purposes to which the data may be put. For clinical trials, the Association does provide links to FDA and NIH resources that list virtually all active clinical trials in the United States.

Although the Association will not provide direct links to clinical trials or surveys online or in its publications, those clinical trials and surveys may be advertised in Association publications or displayed at Association meetings following the same guidelines as other vendors.