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Collaborating with the Midlands Clinical Research Unit

Who we are

The Midlands Clinical Research Unit (CRU) is the multispecialty clinical research arm of the Prisma Health Education and Research Institute for the region. Support for clinical trials can be provided at Richland, Baptist and Baptist Parkridge campuses with plans to expand into the Tuomey campus and outpatient Prisma Health sites across the Midlands. The Prisma Health research team is dedicated to collaborating with Prisma Health clinicians and academic partners to advance scientific knowledge and improve health care outcomes and quality of life for South Carolina residents.

What we offer

As a liaison between providers and medical device or pharmaceutical industry partners, the team works closely with these parties and Prisma Health research offices to facilitate all aspects of clinical research. Offering support for adult and pediatric clinical research as well as a dedicated cardiology team, the CRU is led by director Julia Adams, RN. The team includes: 10 research nurses, 6 research coordinators, a pediatric research team manager, a dedicated Investigational pharmacist and a regulatory coordinator. Medical director of the unit is Dr. Helmut Albrecht who is available to assist new and established investigators.

Located on Richland campus, the unit houses an investigator landing space, three participant exam rooms and equipment for physical exams. The unit also has a research lab for phlebotomy; processing, storing and shipping of study specimens; and it is equipped with -80°C and -20°C freezers, a 4°C lab refrigerator, and refrigerated and ambient centrifuges.

For a tour of the unit or if you have questions regarding research, call: Julia Adams, BSN, RN, CCRC, at 803-434-3109.

