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Report on Impact of COVID-19 on Clinical Trials Operations Published in NCI Journal

Leveraging its network of leading North American cancer centers, the Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI) circulated surveys to over 100 cancer center members to assess how clinical trial office operations were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

A report summarizing the results of the longitudinal series of surveys was published on July 19 in the

The lead authors of "Quantifying the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Cancer Center Clinical Trial Operations" are Thomas J. George, MD, FACP, University of Florida Health Cancer Center; Tara L. Lin, MD, The University of Kansas Cancer Center; and Theresa L. Werner, MD, Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah. Dr. George is chair-elect of the AACI Clinical Research Innovation (CRI) Steering Committee. Dr. Lin is the steering committee's current chair, and Dr. Werner is the committee's immediate past chair. Steering committee members and AACI staff also contributed to the report.

Data shared in the report show that AACI cancer centers were able to keep oncology trials available to