

# Site Registration Form and Instructions



## General Instructions

**When attaching documents:** Documents that are uploaded to this registration application must be in either an MS Word (.docx) or PDF (.pdf) format. Each file must not exceed 2MB in size.

Completing and submitting this application is the first step in the registration process. After it is submitted, it will be reviewed by the coordinating centre. Once the registration has been reviewed and approved, you will receive a confirmation email to let you know that your ICU has been formally registered.

A paper copy of this registration form is available as an appendix at the end of this document.

## Completing the Application Form

### Site and Study Team Member Qualifications

**User Information**

**REMINDER:** Each ICU must have two (2) designated study leaders in order to register.

\* **1. Primary REDCap Users**  
Usernames and passwords to access the online data entry system will be assigned to each of the individuals listed below.

First name	Last name	Email	Telephone	Role in ICU	Study Leader	CV Upload (study leaders only)	GCP Upload (study leaders only)
Principal	Investiator	PI@hospital.com	555-555-5555	Doctor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> CV.docx	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> GCP Certificate.docx
Registered	Dietitian	RD@hospital.com	555-555-5555	Dietitian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> CV.docx	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> GCP Certificate.docx
Research	Student 1	student@hospital	555-555-5555	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
Research	Student 2	student@hospital	555-555-5555	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen

1. Please complete all of the fields for each local study team member.

Each registered ICU should have two (2) designated study leaders. One study leader will be an ICU physician, and the other can be either an ICU dietitian or ICU research coordinator.

- The “Study Leader” checkbox should be selected for these individuals.
- In order to confirm your site is knowledgeable about critical care nutrition, each study leader must upload their CV and Good Clinical Practice (GCP), or equivalent, training certificate.

Add a new row to the table by selecting the “ADD USER” button.

PLEASE NOTE: The email address entered for each person will be linked to the electronic data capture system (i.e. REDCap) for the study. This is the system that will allow you to randomize patients and

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enter data. As such, be sure you are using an email address where you can receive password resets and system emails.

## Ethics Clearance

**Ethics Clearance**

\* 2. Did your site receive a waiver of consent for this trial?

\* 3. Upload your ethics approval letter for the trial.  Ethics.docx

\* 4. Enter the name of the ethics committee which granted ethics clearance for your ICUs participation :

\* 5. Enter the ethics committee file number (study unique reference number) :

2. Indicate either “Yes” or “No” to whether your site received a waiver of consent for this trial.
3. A copy of your local site ethics clearance (approval) letter is a requirement for inclusion in this collaborative. Please upload your ethics clearance (approval) letter.
4. Enter the name of the ethics committee which granted ethics clearance for your ICUs participation.
5. Enter the ethics committee file number (study unique reference number).

## Hospital Information

**Hospital Information**

\* 6. Hospital Name:

\* 7. Hospital Timezone:

\* 8. Type of Hospital:

\* 9. City:

10. Province/State:

\* 11. Country:

\* 12. Size of hospital (number of beds):

6. Specify your hospital’s full name, without abbreviations, as you wish for it to appear on your Site Report.
7. Select the correct time zone for your region from the list provided.

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8. Enter the type of hospital, either “Teaching” or “Non-Teaching”. A teaching hospital is a hospital that provides training to medical students and residents. If your hospital only has occasional medical students/residents, select non-teaching hospital.
9. Specify the city
10. Specify Province/state
11. Specify country
12. Enter the total number of beds in your hospital.

## ICU Information

**ICU Information**

\* 13. Does your hospital have multiple ICUs? Yes ▾

\* 14. ICU name (Max 120 characters): university hospital ICU

\* 15. ICU type: Closed (Care transferred or shared with ICU physician) ▾

\* 16. Case Types: (check all that apply)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical	<input type="checkbox"/> Neurological
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surgical	<input type="checkbox"/> Neurosurgical
<input type="checkbox"/> Trauma	<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Surgery
<input type="checkbox"/> Pediatrics	<input type="checkbox"/> Burns

Other, please specify

\* 17. Is there a designated ICU Medical Director? Yes ▾

\* 18. Is your ICU specifically a burn unit? No ▾

\* 19. Number of beds in ICU: 40

\* 20. Do you have a Dietitian working in the ICU? Yes ▾  
If yes, amount of **FTE (full time equivalent)** dietitian: 0.5

13. Indicate whether or not your hospital has multiple ICUs. If your site has multiple ICUs, and you wish for more than one to join the collaborative, each ICU must be registered separately.

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14. Specify your ICU's name as you wish for it to appear on your Site Report.
15. Specify the type of ICU (ICU structure), either "Open", "Closed", or "Other, specify". Open ICUs are sites where patients are under the care of an attending physician (e.g. internist, family physician, surgeon) with intensivists (i.e. physician with training in critical care) consulted as necessary. Patients in closed ICUs are under the care of an intensivist or care is shared between the intensivist and another attending physician.
16. Indicate all case types applicable to this ICU.
17. Indicate whether or not your ICU has a designated Medical Director.
18. Is your ICU specifically a burn unit?
19. Indicate how many beds your ICU contains.
20. Specify whether you have a dietitian working in the ICU.  
If yes, please specify the amount of full time equivalent (FTE). This is a measure of the amount of time the dietitian(s) is/are dedicated to the ICU relative to a full time position. Eg: A full-time equivalent (FTE) of 1.0 means that one dietitian works in the ICU full time (i.e. 5 full days per week). A FTE of 0.5 means that one dietitian is in the ICU half time, or two and a half days a week. A FTE of 1.0 could also mean that two dietitians each work half time (0.5 FTE each) in the ICU.

\* 21. Do you use a bedside feeding protocol/algorithm that allows the nurse to advance or withhold tube feedings as specified by the protocol/algorithm?

\* If yes to "Feeding Protocol", indicate which components you are implementing in your ICU : (check all that apply)

An initial feeding strategy that includes the use of volume based feeding

Prophylactic use of motility agents starting with start of enteral nutrition

Protein supplements starting with start of enteral nutrition

\* What type of formula do you use as your initial or starting formula as part of your feeding protocol (select only one)?

\* 22. Do you use a gastric residual volume threshold to adjust feeds?

\* If yes, what gastric residual volume threshold do you use?  millilitres (ml)

21. Indicate whether you use a bedside feeding protocol/algorithm that allows the nurse to advance or withhold tube feedings. Enteral feeding protocols are defined as: tools designed to enable the bedside nurse to initiate, and/or monitor, and/or modify the administration of EN to individual patients. Implementation of such protocols includes, but is not limited to, the use of pre-printed orders that are signed by a physician when a patient is admitted to the ICU and a bedside algorithm that provides instructions to the bedside nurse on the management of EN. We are not referring to a policy document, but **bedside tools**.



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If “Yes”, indicate which components you are implementing in your ICU (check all that apply).

If “Yes”, what type of formula do you use as your initial or starting formula as part of your feeding protocol: semi-elemental feeding formula, or polymeric feeding formula, or other type (specify).

22. Do you use a gastric residual volume threshold to adjust feeds?

If “yes”, indicate the gastric residual volume threshold in milliliters (mL).

23. Do you use a protocol or algorithm to monitor blood sugar control or the administration of insulin?

If “yes”, specify whether you use a ‘target range’ or ‘target value’ to monitor glucose.

If you use a ‘target range’, enter the corresponding values, including units (mmol/L or mg/dL).

\* 22. Do you use a protocol to monitor blood sugar control or the administration of insulin?

Do you use a target range or target value to monitor glucose?:

\* What range do you target?

(mmol/L = mg/dL x 0.0555)

mmol/L  
mg/dL

If you use a ‘target value’, enter the corresponding value, including units (mmol/L or mg/dL).

\* 22. Do you use a protocol to monitor blood sugar control or the administration of insulin?

Do you use a target range or target value to monitor glucose?:

What value do you target?:

mmol/L  
mg/dL

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## Confirmation

**\* In order to participate in this trial, sites must confirm that:**

- They have read the protocol and associated training materials on the CCN website and have adequate resources to conduct this trial; AND
- They will abide by the randomization scheme and arm assignment (high vs. low protein prescription) and avoid overfeeding for each randomized patient; AND
- They use a standardized feeding protocol in their ICU for enteral and parenteral nutrition; AND
- Have access to a range of commercial enteral and parenteral feeding products (eg. high protein EN formulas, protein supplements, parenteral nutrition formulations or amino acids) that they will use to achieve protein targets without providing excessive calories; AND
- They are committed to enrolling a minimum of 30 eligible patients within 2-3 years.

In order to participate in this trial, sites must confirm that they understand and agree to all 5 of the criteria listed.

## Signoff

- Checking this box indicates that you have had the opportunity to read information about the survey and understand the purpose of the International Quality Improvement Project. Sharing of data allows us to compute site reports comparing statistics across participating ICUs. Only aggregated data will be shared: demographics and clinical information for individual patients will never be shared. Clicking this will also allow us to give credit to your hospital where appropriate, such as on our web page, in journal publications, and in press releases.

Checking this box indicates you:

1. You have had the opportunity to read information about the EFFORT Trial and understand the purpose of this international project;
2. The data submitted by your site via the electronic data collection system (REDCap) allows us to disseminate and publish information and make it available for the purpose of scholarship:
  - a. We will compute site reports comparing statistics across all participating sites;
  - b. Only aggregated data will be shared. Individual patient information such as demographics and/or clinical information will NEVER be shared;
  - c. You are allowing us to give your site credit, when appropriate, such as on our website, in journal publications and in press releases.

Submit Registration Form



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Select the 'SUBMIT REGISTRATION FORM' button to send this application to the coordinating centre for review and approval.

## Submission Confirmation Email

After you use the 'SUBMIT REGISTRATION FORM' to complete your registration form. You will see the following screen.

### The EFFORT Study Site Registration Form

*Required fields are marked with a red asterisk (\*)*

*For instructions on completing this form [click here](#)*

**Your site has been successfully pre-registered for The EFFORT Study**

Upon approval, each of the users pre-registered will receive an email with their username and a temporary password with instructions how to login to REDCap and set a permanent password.

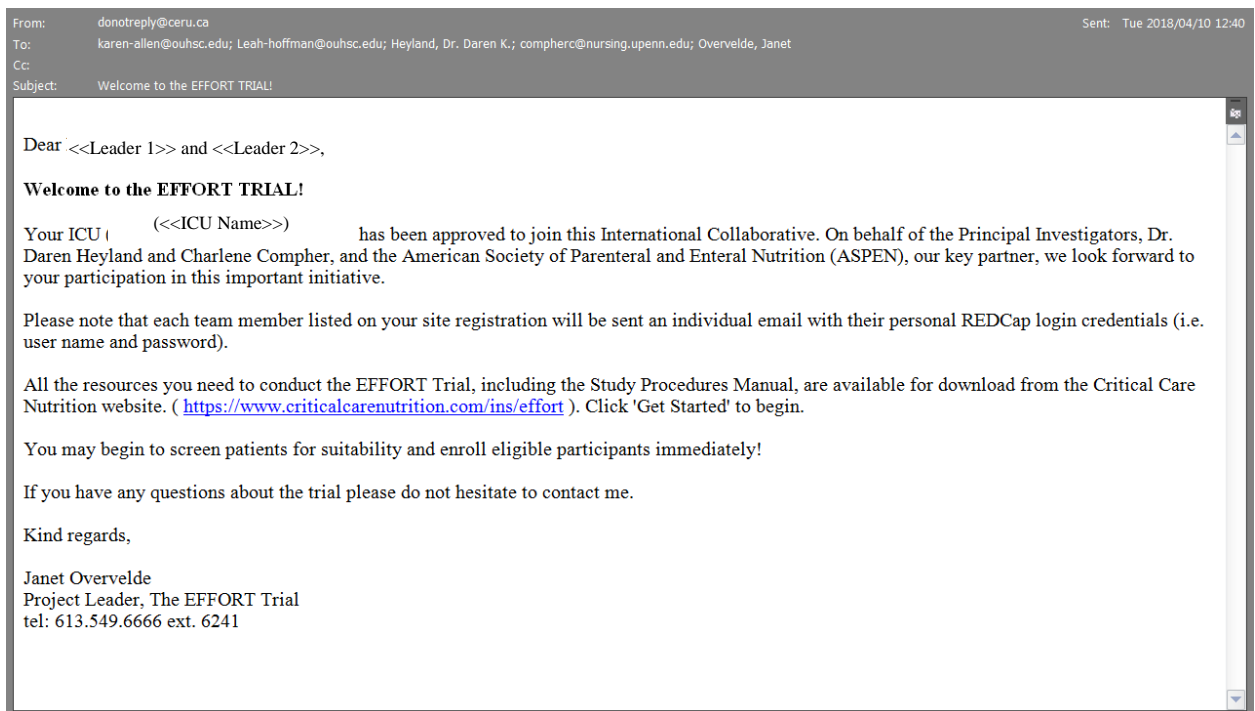
If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Janet Overvelde: [overvelj@kgh.kari.net](mailto:overvelj@kgh.kari.net)

## Registration Approval Emails

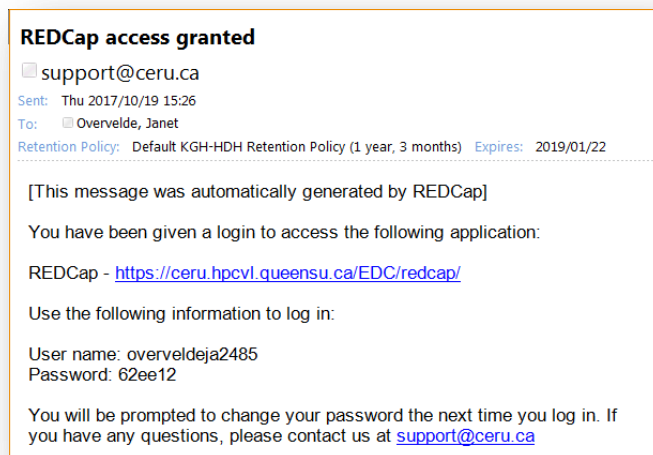
**AFTER the coordinating centre has reviewed and approved your site to join, you will receive 2 emails:**

1. Registration Confirmation & Welcome Message  
Note: the coordinating centre will respond to registration requests as quickly as possible. Please allow for 72h for a response before you contact them about the status of your registration.

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## 2. REDCap login credentials message (user id and password)







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## APPENDIX - Site Registration Form

### Site and Study Team Member Qualifications

1. Primary REDCap Users:

*Username and passwords to access the online data entry system will be assigned to each of the individuals listed below.*

First name	Last name	Email	Phone	*Role in ICU	Study Leader (Y/N)

\*Role in ICU options: Dietitian, Registered Nurse, Research Coordinator, Doctor, Pharmacist, Other (specify).

**CVs** - Upload the CVs for the two study leaders indicated above.

**GCP Training Certificates** - Upload the GCP training certificates for the two study leaders indicated above.

### Ethics Clearance

#### **Hospital Information**

2. Did your site receive a waiver of consent for this trial?

- Yes  
 No

3. A copy of your local site ethics clearance (approval) letter is a requirement for inclusion in this collaborative. Please upload your ethics clearance (approval) letter.

4. Name of Ethics Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Ethics Reference Number (study unique ID): \_\_\_\_\_

### Hospital Information

6. Hospital Name: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Hospital time zone: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Hospital Type:  Teaching  Non-Teaching

9. City: \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Country: \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Size of Hospital (Number of Beds): \_\_\_\_\_

## ICU information

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13. ICU Name: \_\_\_\_\_

14. ICU Type:

Open: Attending physician remain in charge, ICU physician consults.

Closed: Care transferred or shared with ICU physician

Other, *please specify*: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Case Types (select all that apply):

Medical

Pediatrics

Cardiac Surgery

Surgical

Neurological

Burns

Trauma

Neurosurgical

Other, *please specify*: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Is there a designated ICU Medical Director?

Yes

No

17. Number of beds in ICU: \_\_\_\_\_

18. Do you have a Dietitian working in the ICU?

Yes → *If yes*: Amount of full time equivalent (FTE) dietitian: \_\_\_\_\_

No

19. Do you use a bedside feeding protocol/algorithm that allows the nurse to advance or withhold tube feedings as specified by the protocol/algorithm?

Yes – We have a feeding protocol

No – No systematic or standardized approach to feeding at the bedside

*If yes to "Feeding Protocol", indicate which components you are implementing in your ICU (check all that apply):*

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What type of formula do you use as your initial or starting formula as part of your feeding protocol (select only one)?

Semi-elemental feeding formula

Polymeric feeding formula

Other type of formula , *Please Specify*: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Do you use a gastric residual volume threshold to adjust feeds?

Yes → *If yes*, what volume threshold do you use? \_\_\_\_\_ millilitres (ml)

No



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21. Do you use a protocol to monitor blood sugar control or the administration of insulin?

- Yes → *If yes:* What range do you target?      -OR-      What value do you target?  
 No                      Lower: \_\_\_\_\_  mmol/L  mg/dL                      Target: \_\_\_\_\_  mmol/L  mg/dL  
   Upper: \_\_\_\_\_  mmol/L  mg/dL

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End of Form