

Perceptions of LA Injectables:

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Site Background

Located in Newark, NJ



- Funded in 2007 as 1 of 10 Clinical Research Sites in the Terry Beirn CPCRA CTU (Dr. Fred Gordin, PI)
- Re-funded in 2013 as **Joint CTU** with Well-Cornell Medical Center (Dr. Trip Gulick, PI)
- Current clinical research activity: ACTG, INSIGHT, HPTN, pharma and investigator initiated studies
- Co-located in the Infectious Disease Practice (IDP)





Site Background

• HPTN 064

• Enrolled 420/400 high risk women

• HPTN 069

• Enrolled 32/20 at risk women

• HPTN 076

- Enrolled 17/18 low risk women
- Participant Referrals, Rutgers Community

• HPTN 085

Activation pending any day





Engagement Strategies

- In-house Networking/Partnerships
 - HIV Testing/Counseling Team
 - Male IDP Participants
 - OB/GYN Clinic
 - Email blast to the University Community
- Maintenance/Development of Existing/New Community Partnerships
- Presence at Community Forums





Perceptions of Injections





Perceptions: During Recruitment/Screening

- Received numerous calls, many expressed disinterest due to the study involving:
 - Medication
 - Injection- 50% once they heard about the injection
 - Majority were afraid of the needles and afraid of pain
- Dependent upon their friends' opinions and experiences

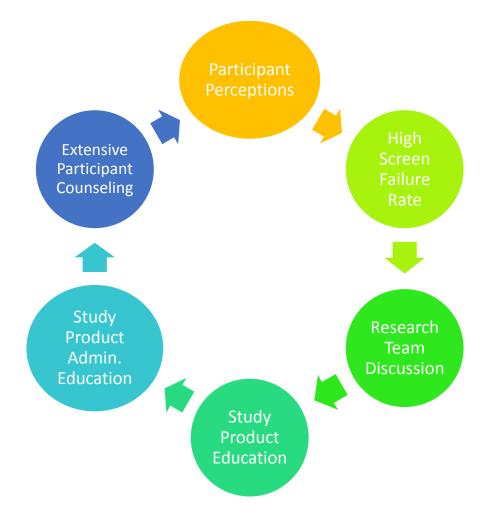


Perceptions: During Enrollment/Follow Up

- Pain and discomfort at injection site
 - During and post injection
- Fear and apprehension
 - One was severely apprehensive even to the point of having her partner come to hold her hand
- Expressed differences in who administered the injection



How Perception Impacts Outcome





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Questions



