EFS Site Best Practices Workshop Recap

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MDIC held its first EFS Best Practices Workshop at the MDIC offices in Arlington, VA on March 6 and 7. The workshop was held to create a forum for exchange between sites and sponsors and to identify common challenges that could be resolved with collaborative efforts. We covered topics such as:

- Managing Risk, SAEs, & IRB Reporting
- Timely & Effective Contracting
- Budgeting between EFS Sites and Sponsors
- EFS Staffing and Resources
- Patient Identification, Enrollment & Retention
- Coverage Determinations & Site Budgets

Interest and attendance exceeded all expectations. Over 65 attendees were present, including representatives from 20 different sites, 14 different sponsors, FDA, CMS, and service providers. The meeting was highly productive and a great example of the commitment within the EFS community. Each panel had a dynamic discussion of best practices and challenges around their specific topic.

"I felt this was one of the best meetings I have been to in some time," said one attendee. "The conversation and discussions were invaluable to us having a better understanding of where the sticking points are for development of new devices."

Others expressed that they found this to be an "informative, collaborative and effective multidisciplinary workshop."

As an initial next step, MDIC has created a cloud-accessible shared drive with the workshop presentations available in PDF format. The EFS Site Best Practices presentation can be found here.

In the next few days, MDIC will be working to further collect and summarize the Next Steps to continue engaging EFS stakeholders such as yourselves to identify how MDIC can best support sites, sponsors, regulators and payors in improving the EFS ecosystem.

Thanks to everyone who participated, and we look forward to building on this first meeting success.

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