

**NCI National Clinical Trials Network (NCTN) Working Group
Of the Clinical Trial Strategic Planning
Ad hoc Subcommittee of the CTAC**

Function Statement

The purpose of the NCI National Clinical Trials Network (NCTN) Working Group is to advise NCI on the portfolio of clinical trials evaluated by the Scientific Steering Committees.

Responsibilities include:

- 1) Assess the strength and balance of the active NCTN clinical trials portfolio (Cross –disease Portfolio Management).
 - Within each disease
 - Across all diseases
- 2) Recommend new strategic priorities and directions for the NCTN based on the current portfolio, evolving clinical needs, and emerging scientific opportunities.
- 3) Review and assess the CTWG Evaluation process and results
 - Quality of completed trial outcomes
 - Operational performance of Scientific Steering Committees
 - Efficiency of clinical trial conduct
- 4) Provide strategic advice to enhance NCTN clinical trial operations including collaboration and timeliness.