

Welcome to the **TRANSFORM Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction (TRANSFORM HFrEF)** study! We are very excited that your practice will be participating.

Your practice has been enrolled in a study aimed at improving the lives of patients diagnosed with heart failure. This diagnosis is often associated with co-morbidities and a decreased quality of life, with many patients lacking the understanding necessary to advocate for themselves and their care. TRANSFORM HFrEF seeks to study the current guideline directed medical therapy (GDMT) for HFrEF, improve adherence to GDMT medications, and repurpose the standard 20-minute office visit.

TRANSFORM HFrEF also aims to increase patient understanding and strengthen the provider-patient relationship through trust and shared goal setting. Your practice will be provided tools to support quality of care and the building of this provider-patient relationship. These tools include a customized GDMT Dashboard, patient education aimed at guiding clinician/patient discussion during the office visit, and tools; such as, the Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire (KCCQ-23) assessing quality of life and patient-reported outcomes. More details on this are included in your "Welcome Packet."

Approximately 3,072 patients are enrolling in the TRANSFORM HFrEF study—enrollment is facilitated by practice personnel and once the study is full it will be closed. We recommend you keep track of your enrollment via the provided *Enrollment Template* which allows you to record the total number of patients enrolled per study week.

Your practice will be compensated at a rate of \$100 per patient enrolled; it is your practice's responsibility to invoice ACC for payment. Additionally, patients will be reimbursed up to \$100 for incurred travel costs to and from study visits. **There are no costs to your practice to participate in the study.** 

Please carefully review the materials included on the **website** for the **"Welcome Packet"** as they provide specific information on the requirements of this study and your active role. The following items are included:

- Welcome Letter ✓
- 2. <u>IRB-Approved Study Protocol</u>—any questions will be directly answered by study principal investigator and/or members of the MGH study team.
- 3. <u>Enrollment Template</u>—this template will help your practice keep track of patients as you enroll them in the study, plus a friendly reminder to invoice ACC.
- 4. <u>Clinical Trial Agreement (CTA)</u>—this agreement will be filled out by your practice and returned to ACC for signature; this confirms enrollment within the study.
- 5. <u>Sample Invoice</u>—this invoice can be filled out regularly with total number of patients enrolled by your practice and submitted directly to ACC for payment. (\$100 per patient), plus reimbursement expenses for travel to and from study visits.
- 6. Tip Sheet: What to Collect, Here's Where You Find It (Study Data Collection Requirements)
- 7. GDMT Dashboard User's Guide
- 8. <u>Training Materials</u>—this includes detailed plan and manual to assist your practice's study team in study enrollment and implementation.
- 9. Contact List for Questions—We're here to HELP!

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

We are excited to work with you to improve adherence to GDMT and quality of care for patients with HFrEF!

Sincerely,