

# ClinCapture Conversations: COVID-19 STUDY



Since Weidley's Wish expanded to include COVID-19 related research, more than a dozen studies began using ClinCapture's Captivate Electronic Data Capture (EDC). Weidley's Wish normally provides EDC to non-profit organizations that are conducting clinical trials of rare and orphan diseases. After the World Health Organization confirmed more than 100,000 cases of global coronavirus in March, ClinCapture CEO Scott Weidley expanded the program to include COVID-19 research.

At least two studies in Panama are utilizing ClinCapture's EDC to conduct research. We sat down with Idalina Cubilla, of

Pacifica Salud, Hospital Punta Pacifica, to discuss how ClinCapture helped with her study.

## **HI IDALINA, THANKS FOR JOINING US TODAY. TO START, TELL US ABOUT HOW YOU LEARNED ABOUT CLINCAPTURE AND THE STUDY YOU BUILT IN THE SYSTEM.**

Pacifica Salud, Hospital Punta Pacifica are conducting research on the effect of convalescent plasma on COVID-19 patients within the community in Panama.

Pacifica Salud is responsible for the data collection.

There are a lot of studies of convalescent plasma, but we need to understand the impact in our own community. We learned about ClinCapture from two medical students who are doing their own research on COVID-19. I read about the system and shortly after, received a demo and got started.

## **HOW DID YOU CONDUCT STUDIES IN THE PAST?**

Prior to using ClinCapture, we used a combination of paper Case Report Forms (CRFs) and a software program to create surveys.

## **WHAT CHALLENGES DID YOU HAVE IN THE PAST?**

It is difficult to track information and keep it together. When there is a mix of paper and electronic data, paper can be easily lost. It was hard to keep everything in one place. Also, with the system we used before, we could build several surveys but we were not able to assign multiple surveys to one person.

Low-income countries aren't equipped for technology and many, including Panama, do not have electronic records. However, the staff at hospitals are willing to learn.

I felt apprehensive at first because it was a new method to conduct the study.

I was learning a new program and I would be training the staff on how to use it. The process has been very smooth and the system is easy to understand.

### **HOW DID CLINCAPTURE HELP SOLVE THOSE CHALLENGES?**

It was a tremendous help to have Weidley's Wish offer the EDC subscription free of charge.

We are now able to complete the study electronically. We don't have to use a separate system for forms. Everything is in one place. And we have been able to make adjustments to the study along the way.

### **HOW DID CLINCAPTURE PREPARE YOU TO BUILD AND DEPLOY THE STUDY?**

The support that ClinCapture offered was very helpful.

I was surprised because I thought we were going to get a manual and build it on our own. But we built everything together. If I ever had a question, then I knew I could contact support and would quickly get a response.



The training itself was very visual, which made learning and understanding the system easy. It helped me because I am also training others who are using it during the study.

In total, it took about a week and a half to build a study that is six months long.

We will also be conducting our study at multiple hospitals, so I really like the ability to have multiple sites in the system.

You can do a lot with Captivate, even if it is your first time using it. Once I understood everything, it was simple to use.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, IDALINA. DO YOU HAVE ANY CLOSING THOUGHTS BEFORE WE END?**

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Once our study is complete, we will be able to share the data. Then, we can apply for funds and conduct more research in the future. It has been very helpful.

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