TRIAL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES ESTABLISHES STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH ELITE RESEARCH NETWORK

Partnership to Bring More Ground-Breaking Clinical Trials to Wilmington Area

WILMINGTON, NC, (Jan. 25, 2020)—After a decade of building a strong group of high-performing clinical trial sites in Wilmington, Trial Management Associates (TMA) is taking its business to the next level by partnering with the national group Elite Research Network. The partnership will give TMA's existing sites access to more trials, thereby giving the Wilmington and surrounding communities access to more exciting new therapies.

TMA opted to partner with Elite, which is a network of top-performing clinical research sites throughout North America. The sites within Elite are highly sought after by clinical trial sponsors including pharmaceutical, biotech, and medical device companies, as Elite is known for its dedication to the highest quality standards.

The collaboration will expand the clinical trial opportunities at TMA's sites, which include Wilmington physicians' offices TMA has partnered with to conduct clinical trials with a focus on gastroenterology, family medicine, dermatology, and infectious diseases. Wilmington-area patients will in turn have increased access to cutting-edge therapies.

The partnership is a win-win for both companies. TMA recognized a need to increase its presence in the clinical trial space, and Elite gives TMA access to these trials through its existing relationships with sponsors and its track record of high performance. Meanwhile, Elite wanted to expand its geographical coverage to North Carolina and add another high-performing independently owned site group to its network.

Phil Dattilo, president of TMA, says, "TMA and Elite have been working toward this partnership for the last several years. TMA now has access to a tremendous pipeline of trials in a very competitive space. Through our continued efforts in gastroenterology, dermatology, infectious diseases, and family medicine, now combined with our partnership with Chris Hoyle and Elite, we have an opportunity to bring additional exciting new therapies to the Wilmington community."

Together, TMA and Elite are focused on executing their pipeline of trials in 2020. Moving into 2021 and 2022, TMA and Elite will work to take their successful approach to larger communities in the Carolinas.

Trial Management Associates (TMA) is a leading fully integrated clinical research management company that partners with private physician practices to successfully manage and execute Phase II-IV industry-sponsored clinical research studies. Our qualified Investigators, Site Managers and Research Coordinators work together as a team, from the initial screening to the

close out visit, ensuring efficiency and accuracy in our process. We pride ourselves on providing our sponsors consistent, statistically sound data for every study performed.

The Elite Research Network is a group of independently owned, multi-specialty sites representing capabilities across a wide variety of therapeutic areas and expertise in all clinical trial phases.