

# Memorandum

To: All Participating Dementia Practices

From: New IDEAS Study Leadership

Date: August 1, 2023

Subject: “All Other Race/Ethnicity” Cohort Enrollment Update

The New IDEAS Study protocol pre-specified that the study will enroll at least 2,000 Black/African American individuals, at least 2,000 Hispanic/Latinx individuals, and up to 3,000 additional individuals from other racial and ethnic backgrounds. On March 1, 2022, the study implemented a temporary enrollment pause on the “All Other Races/Ethnicities” cohort to ensure study generalizability through proportionate representation across socio-demographic and geographic populations.

During the temporary enrollment pause, study leadership expected that all participating sites were actively demonstrating their commitment to the study by engaging in specific efforts to recruit and enroll patients who self-identify as Black/African American and/or Hispanic/Latinx. These minoritized populations were underrepresented in the original IDEAS Study and bear the greatest burden of dementia.

**Effective September 1, 2023, the New IDEAS Study Team will re-open the “All Other Races/Ethnicities” cohort to only those sites who have registered at least ten (10) participants since March 1, 2022** (Note: Registrations must represent 10 unique individuals, not re-registrations).

**Sites that meet the registration waiver criterion:**

- Will automatically be allowed to register patients in the All Other Races/Ethnicities cohort in the New IDEAS Portal beginning September 1, 2023.
- Should continue to focus on enrollment of other minoritized populations (e.g., Asians, Pacific Islanders, Indigenous populations) into the newly opened cohort (See the [Case Report Form Packet](#) pg. 3 for race/ethnicity identifiers).
- Will be limited to **10** new patient registrations per month in the All Other Races/Ethnicities cohort to ensure equal representation and access to care across participating sites in the study.

**Sites that do not meet the registration waiver criterion have two options:**

- 1) Continue active study participation with authorization to enroll Black/African American and/or Hispanic/Latinx participants until the cohorts are closed. (Note: Sites that meet the above registration waiver criterion after September 1, 2023 will be issued a registration waiver until the All Other Races/Ethnicities cohort is closed.)
- 2) Request site termination. If the site feels that it can no longer contribute to meet study’s enrollment goals for the Black/African American and Hispanic/Latinx cohorts, please email [newideas@acr.org](mailto:newideas@acr.org) and submit a [termination report](#) to the IRB.

Thank you for supporting the New IDEAS mission to address important gaps in knowledge that will help advance the study and care for diverse groups of people with dementia. Please refer to the [New IDEAS Registration Waiver Policy](#) for additional details and [New IDEAS Website](#) for enrollment updates.

All memo-related questions should be directed to the New IDEAS Operations Team at [newideas@acr.org](mailto:newideas@acr.org).