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## ACRP Adopts Clinical Research Quality Manager (CRQM) Credential in Partnership with Quality Management Institute

Washington, DC – The Association of Clinical Research Professionals is adopting the Clinical Research Quality Manager (CRQM) credential under a new partnership with the Quality Management Institute (QMI).

CRQM-credentialed professionals are eligible to become ACRES Site Accreditation and Standards Institute (SASI) Clinical Research Site Surveyors and will play key roles in ACRES-SASI Site Accreditation.

The CRQM credential will also enable individuals to increase their professional status as quality managers in their own domain.

"We are excited to expand our industry-leading programs with the CRQM credential," says Jim Kremidas, ACRP Executive Director. "This program allows us to provide our members with a specialized quality management credential backed by the trusted mark of excellence in clinical research."

Larry Kennedy, Executive Director of ACRES-SASI and CEO of the Quality Management Institute has guided the writing of the ACRES Standard and the development of the ACRES-SASI Accreditation. He noted that Greg Koski, Chair Emeritus of ACRES-SASI has said: "we must get beyond a culture of compliance and strive for a culture of conscience, one in which we do the right thing not because we are required to do so but because it is the right thing to do." This great partnership with ACRP provides additional traction to get closer to that reality and the CRQM credential will help accelerate careers to fulfill vital roles.

The CRQM credential is a comprehensive solution that will verify and validate clinical research professionals' human values, collaborative skills, and process knowledge. It is designed to provide learners with the knowledge base to integrate human competencies with science and technologies in an intelligent system of quality management.

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The program provides ACRES-SASI candidates with the knowledge base and competencies to support conformance to the ACRES Quality Management Standard for Clinical Research Sites.

Topics covered include quality management concepts, skills, and values; project management concepts and administrative procedures; and ethics and work culture attributes for developing reliable, high-performing teams.

Learn more by visiting us online at <u>acrpnet.org/crqm</u>.

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