

Chiara Teruzzi

Curriculum Vitae

Work Experience

- January 2022 to present

Executive Director, Clinical Development
Syneos Health

Responsible for operational and strategic oversight in a large client portfolio of clinical studies, with accountability on quality, and consistency of key deliverables. Leads innovation workstreams for optimization of technology applications to clinical trial management, including decentralized solutions to enhance patient and site experience. Provides key input to portfolio governance, supports delivery of clinical trials and programs, coordinates functional leads and SMEs for the customization and standardization of processes for the assigned client. Defines and monitors KPIs, drives operational excellence by identifying best practices and gathering ideas for innovation and continuous improvement within the client portfolio and the Business Unit. Leads the operational contribution to proposal development and business development activities, providing strategic and operational input for successful negotiations.

- May 2019 to December 2021

Senior Project Director, Clinical Development
Syneos Health

Provided operational oversight in a large client portfolio of clinical studies, primarily in CNS indications. Participated in portfolio governance, supported delivery of clinical trials and programs, collaborated with functional leads and SMEs for the customization and standardization of processes for the assigned client. Drove operational excellence by identifying best practices and gathering ideas for innovation and continuous improvement within the portfolio and the Business Unit. Supervised Project Managers and Project Directors by managing the scope of work, objectives, quality deliverables, resources, risks and other project management activities. Provided line management of assigned staff via performance management, career development, and advice on training needs, coaching and mentoring as appropriate. Contributed to proposal development and business development activities at a project level.

- September 2016 to April 2019

Associate Director, Clinical Team Management
PRA Health Sciences (now ICON plc)

Responsible for Clinical Team Management staff achievement of functional goals in line with Company mission and objectives, including hiring, resourcing, training, mentoring, evaluating staff performance, and providing project oversight to ensure successful delivery of clinical project deliverables, technical competence and compliance, within timelines and quality whilst maintaining maximum efficiency. Supervised an international team of Clinical Team Managers assigned to various clinical research studies in multiple therapeutic areas and study phases, from first in human oncology trials to large phase III ones.

- February 2013 to August 2016

Project Director
INC Research

Responsible for a portfolio of clinical research studies (Europe and North America) within the CNS Business Unit. Client-facing responsibilities including study protocol/amendment and consent documents review, training of study teams and presentations at investigator meetings, data review planning and protocol deviation discussion, contract and change order management, preparation and presentation to client of mitigation strategies accompanied by risk analysis, evaluation of success probability, effectiveness checks, and budgetary implications with return on investment ranking.

Supervised the financial management of client contracts within the assigned portfolio, performing revenue analysis and forecasting of service costs and ancillary expenditure; Revised study budgets to obtain client change order approvals as needed. Managed a large international project team, for resource assignments and utilization; Served as a point of escalation of study / team issues, providing guidance and training on project objectives and corporate values.

- November 2010 to January 2013

Project Manager / Senior Project Manager
INC Research

Management of complex phase III international projects (psychiatry) including site and client interactions, timeline and budget management, cooperation with vendors, quality and compliance to SOPs, adherence to company processes, and reporting to senior management, from start-up to database lock and delivery to client. Line management of project team members (Clinical Team Leads).

- May 2008 to October 2010

Clinical Project Manager
i3 Research

Management of clinical research projects (cardiology) on time and on budget, including day-to day project administration, interactions with investigational sites, preparation and review of status reports, supervision and coordination of the internal research team, financial overview, and vendor management.

- September 2000 to April 2008

CRA / Senior CRA
i3 Research

Monitoring of multinational clinical trials (cardiology, neurology), including over 6 years as Lead CRA, to coordinate large teams of CRAs in their clinical research activities from pre-study site selection to close-out visits.

- November 1999 to August 2000

CRA
Opis srl, Desio, Italy

Entry-level CRA in a local CRO, learning the basics of GCP, site monitoring and ethics/regulatory submissions.

Therapeutic area experience

Neurology: Alzheimer's Disease, Mild Cognitive Impairment

Psychiatry: PTSD, Borderline Personality, Schizophrenia, Major Depression and Anxiety Disorders

Cardiovascular: Acute Hypertension, Hypercholesterolemia

Metabolic Disorders: Type II Diabetes

Vaccines: H1N1

Education

1999 Post-graduate specialization in Pharmacology (Magna cum laude)

University of Milan, Faculty of Pharmacy, Equivalent to PharmD

1997 Magna cum laude university master degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technologies (C.T.F.)

University of Milan, Faculty of Pharmacy

Foreign languages

Italian: Native

English: Fluent, written and spoken

German: Functional

Awards

2015 Bronze Award in the PharmaTimes Clinical Researcher of the Year, "Strategic Partnership Manager" category

2014 Silver Award in the PharmaTimes Clinical Researcher of the Year, "Team Leader" category

2008 Finalist in the PharmaTimes Clinical Researcher of the Year, "Project Manager" category

1998 Recipient of the Bracco national prize for graduates from the Italian Faculties of Pharmacy

Training Experience

In addition to several project-specific and corporate training sessions delivered as part of my professional roles, I have collaborated with AICRO (Italian Association of CROs) on their educational programs:

- Organized and delivered a one-day course on basic project management (2017 and 2018)
- I am the key instructor for the topic of project management in clinical research for the myCROscope specialization course of AICRO (3 sessions conducted since 2022; www.microscope.it)

Personal skills

I am an active team player, able to lead and motivate my colleagues towards challenging deliverables with a sense of ownership and accountability. I embrace and cascade corporate strategy and client drug development objectives, striving for innovation in the clinical research field. I feel a commitment to quality and ethics in everything I do.

Certifications

2003 to 2007 Certified Clinical Research Associate, CCRA Association for Clinical Research Professionals
Alexandria, VA, USA

Since 1999 Board-certified pharmacist, Italian Board of Pharmacists, Milan, Italy

Professional Memberships

2022 to present: Syneos Health representative in AICRO (Italian Association of CROs)

2002 to present: member of SIMeF (Italian Society of Medicinal Pharmacology)

2004 to 2007 Association of Clinical Research Professionals, Alexandria, VA, USA