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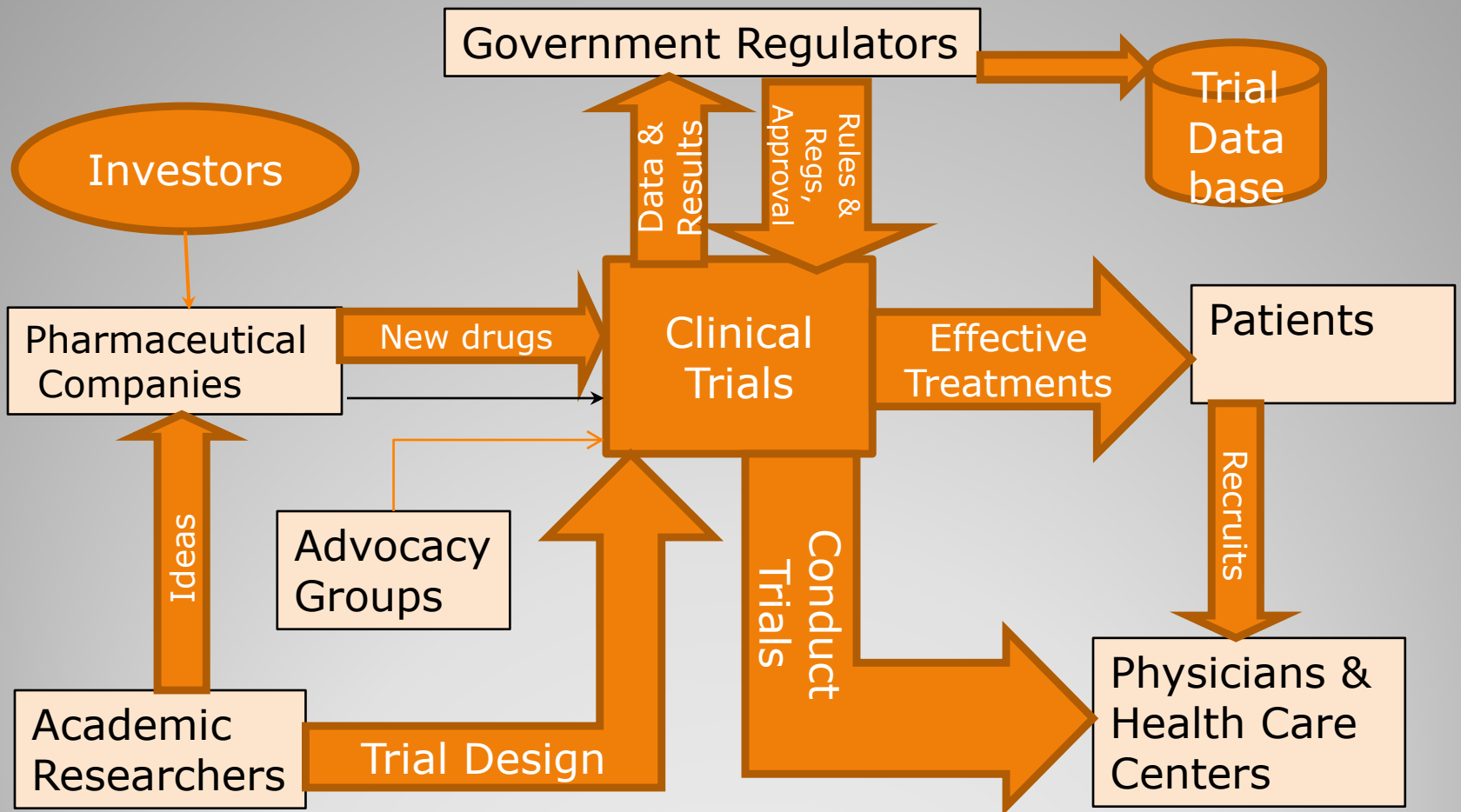
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Prostate Cancer Clinical Trials

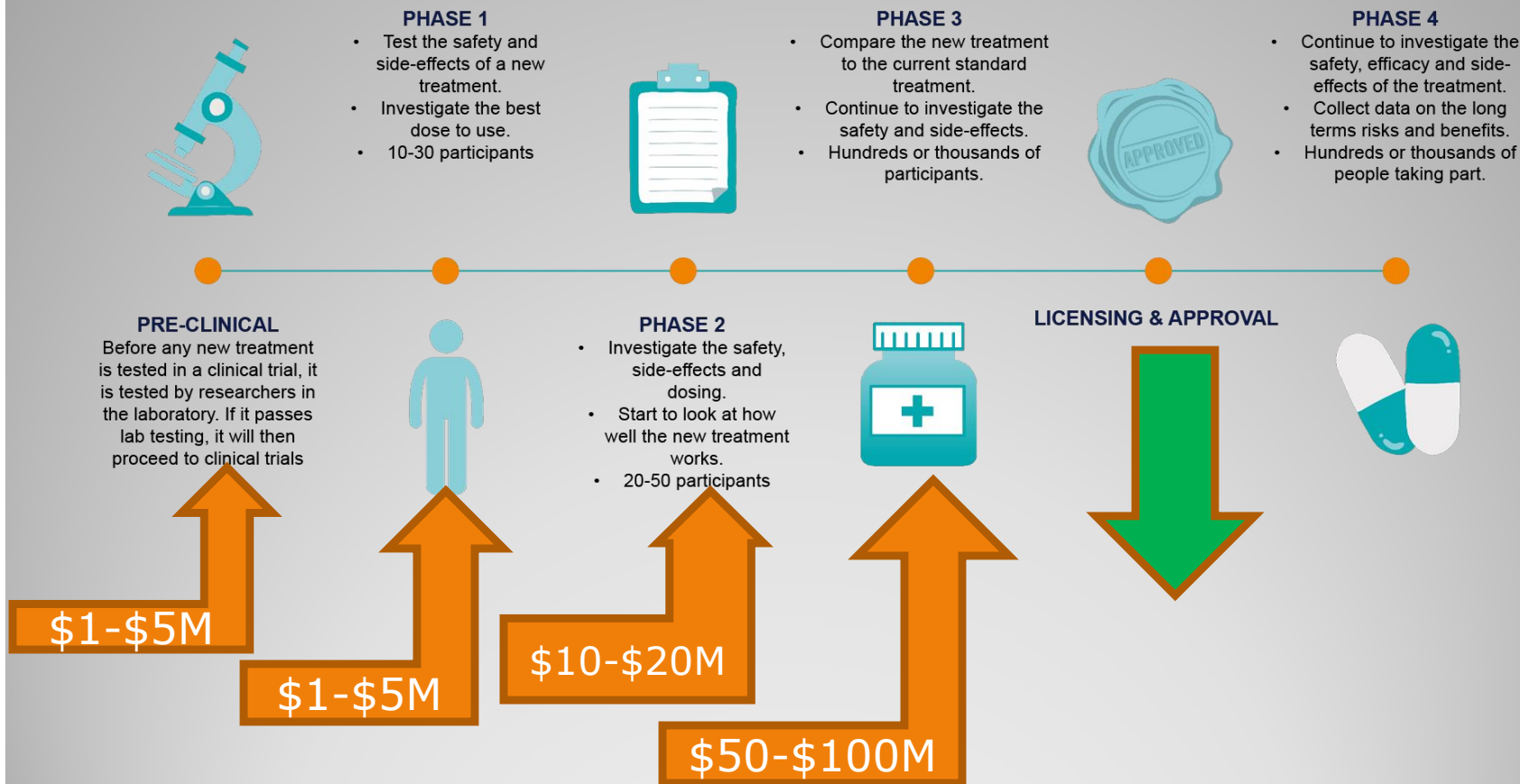
An Overview of Process, Costs, Risk-Rewards,
and How to find them

- Pharmaceutical companies
- Academic Researchers & Labs
- Healthcare providers
- Government regulators
- Patients & advocacy groups

The Clinical Trial Process Key Stakeholders



Interactions of the Players



Clinical Trial Phase Roles

- Access to new & potentially better treatments
- Expert medical supervision
- Reduced treatment costs
- Contributing to future cancer research
- Access to leading specialists & facilities

Benefits for Patients

- Unknown side effects
- Possibility of placebo group assignment
- Time commitment & travel requirements
- Regular monitoring & testing
- Uncertain outcomes

Considerations & Risks

- Major Domestic Resources:
 - ClinicalTrials.gov - Primary U.S. database
 - Local trials
 - UCSD Health (858-657-7000)
 - Genesis Research in Encinitas (858-429-7050)
 - National Cancer Institute (cancer.gov)
 - Major Cancer Centers (MD Anderson, Memorial Sloan Kettering)
 - Commercial Search Engines
 - SparrowSearch.com, - patient oriented
 - TrialLibrary.com -physician oriented
- International Options (Australia, Europe, Japan)

Finding Clinical Trials – Resources

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- 1. Understand your condition & treatment history
- 2. Search trial databases with specific criteria
- 3. Check eligibility requirements carefully
- 4. Contact trial coordinators for screening
- 5. Review informed consent documents
- 6. Discuss options with your healthcare team

Steps to Find a Trial

- Key Information for Trial Search:
 - Current stage of cancer
 - Previous treatments received
 - PSA levels and progression
 - Genetic testing results (if any)
 - Ability to travel for treatment
 - Insurance coverage details

What You Need to Know

- The structured nature of the trial process
- The importance of understanding eligibility criteria
- The value of local resources in San Diego
- The need to discuss participation with healthcare providers
- Remember to check [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov) for the most current trial information

Key points to emphasize.