

I would like to inform you about a clinical study for carpal tunnel syndrome that your patients may be eligible for enrollment.

Please note that when discussing the study with potential patients, you must make every effort to present an unbiased description of the study to the prospective recruit, including both risks and benefits. Potential benefits or reimbursements should not be overstated, and detailed questions about the study should be referred to the study team whose contact information is provided below.

The ROBUST study involves:

- A multicenter, prospective trial assessing the effectiveness of carpal tunnel release using UltraGuideCTR™ with real-time ultrasound guidance (CTR-US) in an office-based setting under local anesthesia.
- Identifying and enrolling patients  $\geq 18$  years who have a clinical diagnosis of carpal tunnel syndrome.
- The primary endpoint of the study is to evaluate Boston Carpal Tunnel Questionnaire Symptom Severity Scale (BCTQ-SSS) change at 3 months. Return to activities, work, function improvement, patient satisfaction, and quality of life will also be evaluated.
- The study is seeking to enroll 140 subjects.
- Recruitment for the study has begun and will continue through May 2023.

Patients that meet the following criteria may be eligible for our study: 18 years of age or older, clinical diagnosis of carpal tunnel syndrome, prior failure of one or more non-surgical treatment options (bracing, splinting, corticosteroid injections). Participation includes a diagnosis, procedure, and completion of online follow-up questionnaires through a secure website at 1-14 days, and 1, 3, 6, 12, and 24 months after the procedure. Study subjects will be paid up to \$800 for sharing their experiences at these follow-up time periods after the procedure.

I look forward to speaking with potential patients in your practice who may be interested in participating in this study. Enclosed please find ROBUST study patient education brochure that includes a study overview and frequently asked questions. **Interested patients should call 1-888-285-0404 or visit [CTRstudy.com](http://CTRstudy.com).**

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Best Regards,

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