



# Site Visits at Risk? Your Plan B.

Mitigate Coronavirus side-effects with RBQM

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### **AT RISK**

- Patient safety
- Study quality
- Study timelines







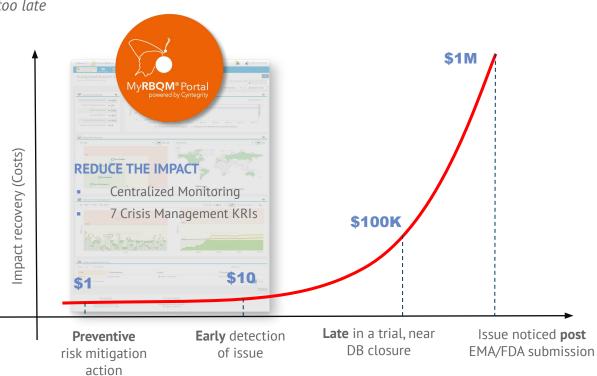
### **REDUCE THE IMPACT**

- Centralized Monitoring
  - 7 'Crisis Management' KRIs



### What if you can no longer visit your sites?





- •The hospital has been put under quarantine
- You run a study in that clinic / hospital and your patients are in the clinic
- Your monitors cannot enter the hospital
- Hospital staff cannot see the monitor in person



### Scenario 2: Outpatients and monitor blocked

- •The hospital has been put under guarantine
- You run a study in a clinic / hospital and your patients are outpatients
- Your monitors and your patients cannot access the hospital
- •Hospital staff cannot see the monitor in person
- Your patients cannot access treatment

## Scenario 3: Patients cannot meet physicians in person

- •Your patients have been put under quarantine
- •You run a study in a private practice or your patients are outpatients
- •Your patients cannot meet their physician in person
- Your patients cannot access treatment

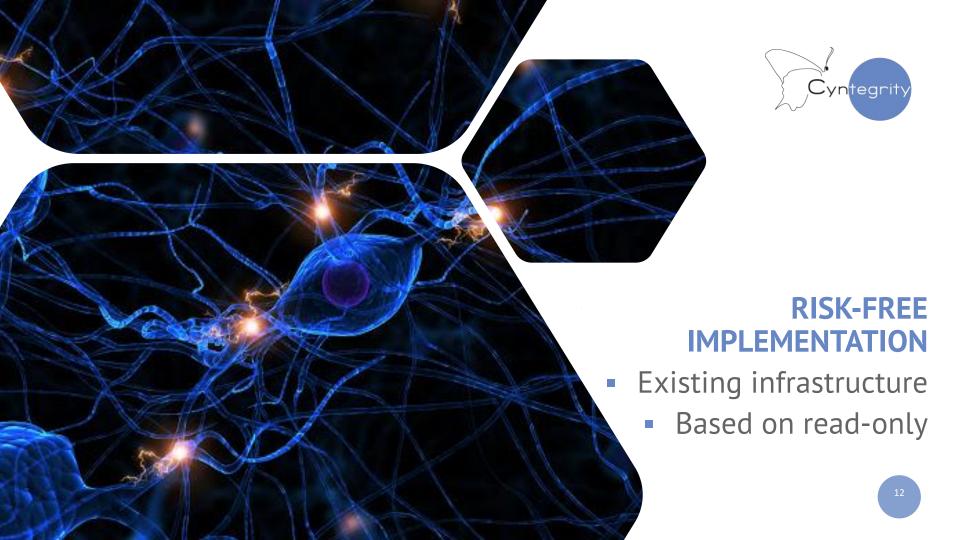
### **KRI Set to Monitor Impact COVID-19**

- 1. Under / Over- Enrollment
- 2. Patient Adherence to Medications
- AEs / SAEs level too low or too high compared to the previous period
- 4. % of missing values in the important data items is too high
- 5. High level of dropouts / informed consent withdrawn
- 6. Abnormal patterns in lab values for any trends indicating an additional burden to the patients
- Large gap between data generation and data entry









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#### KRIs for this scenario

- 1. Check the number of adverse events / serious adverse events
  - o numbers going up is an indicator that the infection may influence the safety of the patients
  - o numbers going down is an indicator that the site staff may be overwhelmed with other tasks and cannot take care of the documentation

- check with sites remotely on the reason for the change in adverse events
- consider terminating patients' participation in the study prematurely
- consider stopping or slowing down enrollment for a limited time

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#### KRIs for this scenario

- 2. Check the number of missing values in the important data items
  - o numbers remain stable, no concerns
  - o numbers going up, staff may have too much work and more important objectives
  - o numbers going down, situation seems to be under control

- check with sites remotely on the reason for the missing data (data entry problems or data not generated)
- consider hiring hospital external staff to enter the data remotely, if available, with access to the electronic patient record
- consider a protocol amendment to reduce the overall number of visits and data items to be generated and captured

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#### KRIs for this scenario

- 3. Check the number of dropouts / informed consent withdrawn
  - numbers going up is an indicator that the infection / hospital situation is an extra burden to the patients
  - numbers going down or remaining stable probably means not to worry

- check with sites remotely on the reasons for patients dropping out
- consider lowering the patient burden by reducing the number of examinations
- check for certain interactions potentially explaining the increasing number of dropouts

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#### KRIs for this scenario

- 4. Check the lab values for any trends indicating an additional burden to the patients
  - lab values are ranging within the same boundaries as prior to the quarantine is positive
  - lab values are ranging outside, i.e. significantly lower / higher than prior to the quarantine, patient may suffer from a coronavirus infection

- check for drug drug interactions and potentially terminate patient participation
- consider a protocol amendment and a study drug dosage lowering for a limited time

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#### KRIs for this scenario

- 5. Analyse the time between data generation and data entry
  - data are being entered much later than in the pre-Coronavirus period and patient safety may be compromised
  - data are entered not differently than in the pre-Coronavirus period

- ask site to at least enter the safety data and enter any other data at a later point in time
- consider remote data entry outside of the hospital if access to patient records can be granted remotely

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#### KRIs for this scenario

1. Analyse the number of adverse events / serious adverse events ( and all other cases described in scenario 1 since they are all requiring the same / similar mitigation actions)

- check with sites remotely on the reason for the change in adverse events
- consider hiring external medical staff / study nurses that could visit the patients and document the findings
- grant EDC access to external / new staff for data entry of safety data
- consider setting up video consultation between the patient and the study investigator
- worst case, consider opening another site in the same region and transfer responsibilities to such a new site

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  - numbers going down is an indicator that the patient worries about other things than study drug related adverse events

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  - o numbers going up, patient does not see the site
  - o numbers going down, situation seems to be under control

- consider hiring staff that could see the patient at home and take for example a blood sample, measure blood pressure, check on AEs etc
- have the external staff enter the data into the EDC system
- consider terminating the patient participation in the study

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- consider a protocol amendment and terminate the study participation for infected patients
- consider hiring external staff to motivate the patients to stay in the study, as far as that is possible

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#### "Your Plan B." Package

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#### | Setup

- → One-time fee
- → Includes: data connection, special COVID-19 KRI-set (7 KRIs), 1-day remote train-the-trainer training, system testing.

#### | User License

- → Monthly fee
- → Includes: MyRBOM® Portal, special COVID-19 KRI-set (7 KRIs), 20 seats.

#### | eCourse

- → At no charge
- → Includes: The White Belt' training is dedicated to the fundamental RBQM knowledge you and your team must have before developing your RBQM strategy, 20 enrollments.

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