

Emergency Department Research Associate (EDRA) Program

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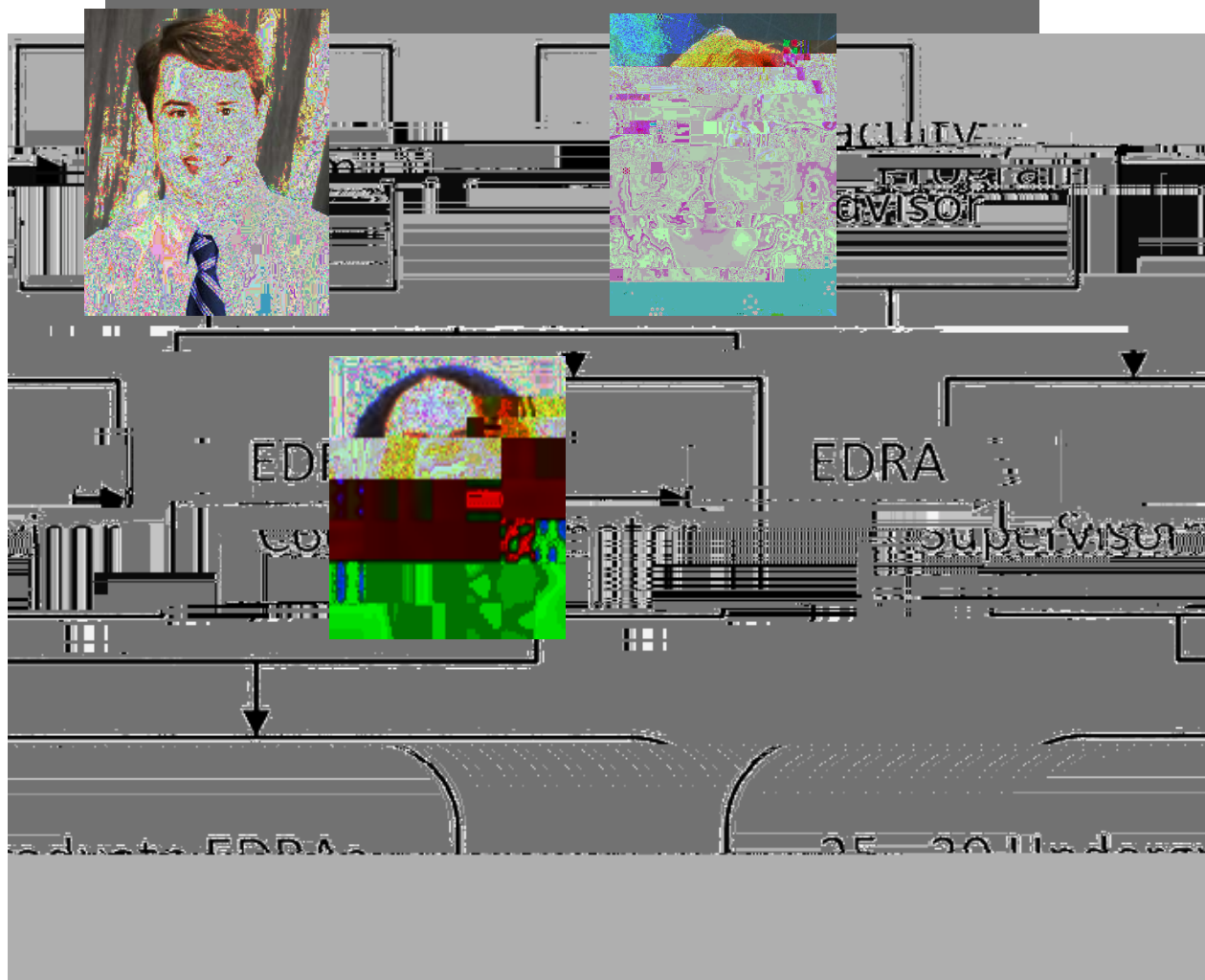
History

In the past 10 years alone, over 20,000 study participants have been enrolled by the EDRA program into a wide variety of research studies.

Been responsible for URMC being among the top enrolling institutions in many of the recent multi-center ED studies in which we participate.



So who are we...



What do we do, and how do we do it?

Our EDRA program is a university service center, with funding received from investigators

Costs consist primarily of administrative effort, EDRA hourly wages, and training



What do we do, and how do we do it?

EDRAs use this tool to initially screen patients for eligibility

EDRA sometimes contact a PI/coordinator to alert them of a potentially eligible patient

Other times the EDRA to approach those patients who meet the inclusion criteria

Introduce themselves/the study, answer any questions, determine capacity, and obtain document informed consent



So...are we any good?

During same time period, program actively enrolled for an average of 8.98 studies at a time (range = 7 - 12).

Importantly, across the wide variety of studies,



So... what is this gonna cost me?

Our program does cost more than volunteers

Relative to research assistants, we tend to be quite cost effective

16 hours a day/7 days a week

Already trained and monitored

Able to sign a contract and

enroll within a week

Umbrella RSRB approval

