

# The role of ECs in improving inclusivity in clinical trials

- Ethics committees can **support patients and communities** by ensuring, promoting and improving **inclusion** in clinical trials.
- **Safety and efficacy data** need to exist and be assessed **for ALL** who will receive the intervention in clinical practice
- EATG BELONG position paper and project on including people living with HIV in non-HIV clinical trials
- **Uphold ethical principles** (ICH-Good Clinical Practice and International Ethical Guidelines for Health-related Research Involving Humans) on inclusion
- Make sure there has been **meaningful engagement and inclusion of patient/community** perspective in protocol development
- **Improve accessibility** through thorough assessment of exclusion criteria, eligibility criteria, recruitment plans, schedule of activities and ICF review
- Ultimately, ensure there is **real research for real people**