

# THE TS ALLIANCE TSC CLINIC APPLICATION

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Print name of person  
applying for TSC Clinic  
designation:

Print name of person  
completing this  
application if different  
than applicant.

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Before completing this application, please read the "*TS Alliance & TSC Clinics Scope of Relationship Policy*" and the "*TSC Clinic Guidelines*." The words "You" or "Your" in this application refer to the Director and/or Co-Director of the clinical practice applying for TSC Clinic Designation.

## A. Information about your clinical practice

1. What is the name of  
the hospital, university,  
or institution that your  
clinic is affiliated with?

1.1 How do you want  
your clinic to be listed  
on the TS Alliance  
website?

**Example:** TSC Clinic at  
University of XXXXX.  
The term, "**TSC  
Center of Excellence**"  
may be used only upon  
achieving standards as  
as defined in the TS  
Alliance Clinic Policy.

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2. What is the  
approximate total  
number of individuals  
with TSC evaluated/  
managed in the TSC  
Clinic since the clinic  
was started at your  
hospital/institution.  
(This includes unique  
newly diagnosed and  
active patients.)

2.1 If you have been  
seeing individuals with  
TSC in your clinic for  
more than one year,  
approximately how many  
have been seen in the  
past year?

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3. Please indicate the  
minimum age of NEW  
patients with TSC your  
clinic will accept?

3.1 Please indicate  
maximum age of NEW  
patients with TSC your  
clinic will accept?

3.2 What is your clinic's transition plan for pediatric patients who will be transitioning to adult care?

3.3 Are you able to see TSC patients from other countries?

- Yes
- No
- Other

3.3 What languages to you or your clinic colleagues speak fluently?

- Amharic
  - Arabic
  - Cantonese
  - English
  - Farsi
  - French
  - German
  - Hebrew
  - Hindi
  - Italian
  - Japanese
  - Mandarin
  - Portuguese
  - Russian
  - Spanish
  - Vietnamese
  - Other
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4. Are you able to provide inpatient services to the patients you see in your clinic? This means for diagnostic evaluations or surgical procedures or other reasons that require hospitalization.

Yes

No

Other, explain:

5. To date what are the reasons patients are seen in your clinic? (MARK ALL THAT APPLY)

To confirm the diagnosis of TSC

Surveillance and management of TSC (this includes coordination of recommended testing per consensus guidelines and/or referral to appropriate specialists for evaluation of other TSC-related conditions)

Cardiac includes rhabdomyoma, arrhythmias

Dermatological manifestations

Genetics includes prenatal or family planning consultation

Neurological - epilepsy, includes infantile spasms

Neurological - SEGA or other brain manifestations

Neuropsychiatric - includes autism, behavioral, developmental issues

Ophthalmological manifestations

Pulmonary - lymphangioleiomyomatosis, cysts

Renal - angiomyolipoma, cysts, renal cell carcinoma

Other conditions involving bone, gastrointestinal, liver, pancreas, etc.

Other, please specify

5.1 Of all the reasons marked in Item #5, which one applies to the majority of the patients seen in your practice? (Choose answer from Drop Down Menu)

5.2 Do you/your colleagues do a complete initial evaluation on a new patient with TSC or suspected TSC? This means a complete screening following the consensus guidelines for diagnosis/surveillance. Example: If your specialty is neurology/epilepsy, you also review other systems by going through surveillance checklist and/or refer to appropriate specialist for evaluation.

Yes

No

5.3 How often does your practice utilize the TSC Associated Neuropsychiatric Disorders(TAND) Checklist? (Choose answer from Drop Down menu)

5.4 What is the reason your practice does not utilize the TAND Checklist? (Choose answer from Drop Down Menu)

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6. How often are the TSC surveillance recommendations reviewed with an individual who is seen at your practice?

At least annually or at next follow-up visit if seen less frequently.

ONLY if patient reports a problem at the clinic visit.

Other, please specify:

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7. Does your practice hold a virtual or in person meeting at least annually with your core healthcare providers to review new treatments, research, and clinical trials for individuals with TSC?

Yes, GO TO QUESTION 7.1

No

Other, please specify:

7.1. How many virtual and/or in person meetings did you hold in the past 12 months?

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8. Do the healthcare providers on your referral list update you about a patient you evaluated in the TSC Clinic who needed an evaluation by one of them? The update may be by phone, e-mail, in person, or having access to the patient's medical records.

Yes

No

Other, please specify:

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9. Have you or one or more of your key TSC healthcare providers completed at least one TSC-related continuing medical education course in the past two years? (This means completing an online course or attending a conference for which you receive continuing education credit.)

Yes  
No  
I don't know  
Other, please explain:

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10. Do you utilize telehealth technology to provide consultation and/or follow-up with a TSC patient? This means you use video conferencing software to conduct a virtual meeting with your patient, especially for those who live far away.

Yes  
No  
Other, please specify:

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## B. Educational resource

1. Have you/your practice informed your patients about the TS Alliance?

Yes  
No  
Other, please specify:

2. What types of information do you provide to your patients, their families, or to their primary care doctor? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

We don't provide any materials.  
TS Alliance print materials.  
We direct them to the TS Alliance website.  
We provide them with our own print materials about TSC.  
We share TSC-related publications authored by the Clinic Director or colleague.  
Other, please specify:

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3. Tell us what kind of TSC-related meeting you or a colleague have held in the past 12 months to update your colleagues in the community or regionally, or individuals with TSC or their families. CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

We haven't had any TSC-related meetings in the past 12 months.  
We've done an educational meeting and/or Grand Rounds for healthcare providers.  
We've done a local or regional educational meeting for individuals with TSC and their families, healthcare providers welcome.  
We've done more than one TSC related meeting in the past 12 months.  
Other, please specify:

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4. We've shared a TSC-related publication or other resource materials authored by the Clinic Director or colleague with the TS Alliance and/or other TSC Clinics in the past 12 months.

Yes,  
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No

4.1 List publication and/or resource(s) shared in the past 12 months.

## C. Partnership

1. In addition to the TS Alliance National Office in Silver Spring, MD, USA there are TSC organizations in other countries around the world who are members of Tuberous Sclerosis International (TSCi). Have you contacted the TS Alliance or another TSC organization for information and/or informed your TSC patients about the TS Alliance or TSCi?

Yes

No

Comment:

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2. Have you/your colleague(s) collectively participated in at least three TSC related clinical or research events as a speaker or attendee in the past 12 months?

Yes, Go to Question 2.1 and indicate activity type(s)

No, Skip to Part D

2.1 Indicate TSC-related activities you/your colleague have participated in the past 12 months. MARK ALL THAT APPLY

TS Alliance Clinic Directors Meeting

A community alliance educational meeting

A national or international TSC research conference

An informational webcast

Other, please specify

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## D. Clinical trials and basic science research in TSC

1. Do you or a TSC clinic colleague conduct TSC-related research?

No, Skip to Section E

Yes, go to question 1.1

1.1 How many years have you/your colleague(s) been conducting TSC-related research?

less than 1 year

at least 1 year but less than 5 years

more than 5 years but less than 10 years

10 years or more

1.2 Please tell us about your current TSC research activity (Mark all that apply)

I am conducting and/or a TSC clinic colleague is conducting an investigator-initiated clinical trial for individuals with TSC.

I am conducting and/or a TSC clinic colleague is conducting an industry-sponsored clinical trial for individuals with TSC.

I am participating and/or a TSC clinic colleague is participating in a TS Alliance sponsored project (e.g. TSC Natural History Database, TSC Biosample Repository)

I am conducting and/or a TSC clinic colleague is conducting basic science research

1.3 Have you/your colleagues authored any papers that have resulted from your research?

Not applicable

No

Yes

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## E. Clinic director information

1. Name of director, include credentials (i.e. MD, PhD, etc)

2. Specialty (i.e. neurology, genetics, dermatology, epilepsy, etc.)

3. Medical board certification. This should be in country of clinical practice, if not, explain in Comment section.

in specialty listed in #2

in another specialty, please specify in Comment

Comment

4. e-mail address

5. business mailing address

6. city, state/province, zip code if applicable

7. If not USA - country name

8. office telephone number

9. cell phone number

10. administrative assistant's name

11. administrative's assistant's e-mail address



12. administrative  
assistant's telephone  
number

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**F. Co-clinic director information**

Not Applicable

1. Name of director,  
include credentials (i.e.  
MD, PhD, etc)

2. Specialty (i.e.  
neurology, genetics,  
dermatology, epilepsy,  
etc.)

3. Medical board  
certification. This  
should be in country of  
clinical practice, if not,  
explain in Comment  
section.

in specialty listed in #2

in another specialty, please specify in Comment

Comment

4. e-mail address

5. business mailing  
address

6. city, state/province,  
zip code, if applicable

7. if not USA - country  
name

8. office telephone  
number

9. cell phone number

10. administrative  
assistant's name

11. administrative  
assistant's e-mail  
address

12. administrative  
assistant's telephone  
number

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**G. Nurse coordinator information**

Not applicable

1. name of coordinator  
include credentials  
such as RN, BSN,  
CPNP, ANP-BC, MSN,  
PNP

2. coordinator  
experience  
(provide a brief  
description of clinical  
experience and  
knowledge of TSC)

3. approximately what  
percentage of time will  
coordinator spend with  
TSC clinic related  
activities?

less than 25% time  
at least 25% but less than 50% time  
at least 50% time  
more than 50% but less than full-time  
full-time  
Other

4. business  
mailing address

same as clinic  
director's:

5. city, state/province,  
zip code, if applicable

same as clinic director's

6. country (if not USA)

7. e-mail address

8. telephone number  
(direct line)

9. cell phone number

10. alternate telephone  
number

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## H. Point of contact for clinic information and scheduling an appointment in the TSC Clinic

1. name of person to  
contact for clinic  
information

1.1 e-mail address

1.2 telephone number

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2. name of person to  
contact to schedule an  
appointment in the TSC  
Clinic

2.1 e-mail address

2.2 telephone number



Gastroenterologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	Choice 1
Geneticist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Genetic counselor	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Nephrologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Neurologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Neuropsychologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Neuroradiologist		
Neurosurgeon	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Nurse practitioner	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	

Ophthalmologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	Choice 1
Physician's assistant	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Psychologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Psychiatrist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Pulmonologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Radiologist, interventional		
Social worker	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	
Urologist	One or more provider in this specialty sees patients on same day in the TSC Clinic	

Other, specify specialty:

Which of  
theses  
providers  
see  
patients  
on same  
day in the  
TSC  
Clinic?

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**K. Applicant's statement:** Tell us what your clinic provides for people affected by TSC that is different or unique than other centers in your region.

STATEMENT:



## L. Applicant's acknowledgement

1. I/we certify the information submitted in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge.
2. I/we have read the TS Alliance "Scope of Relationship Policy" and agree to abide by it.
3. I/we agree not to solicit the Community Alliance leadership team to raise funds for my/our TSC Clinic.
4. I/we understand that TS Alliance may publicize information from this application on its website at [www.tsalliance.org](http://www.tsalliance.org) or in TS Alliance publications. **EXCLUDES** clinic director/co-director's e-mail and direct office phone & mobile numbers, which will not be shared without your authorization.

Mark this box to acknowledge the above four statements.

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### L-1. TSC Clinic Director with one or more co-director

Not Applicable

The Director is board-certified in their country of clinical practice in a specialty related to one or more aspect of TSC.	Yes, board-certified
	Board-eligible
	No, not board-certified
Co-Director named in Section F.	Yes, board-certified
	Board-eligible
	No, not board-certified

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**A COPY OF DIRECTOR'S AND CO-DIRECTOR'S (if applicable) CURRICULUM VITAE AND PHOTO ARE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION**

**Please submit your completed application, CV and a photo (jpeg format) by email to Jo Anne Nakagawa at [jnakagawa@tsalliance.org](mailto:jnakagawa@tsalliance.org) If questions, email or call (240) 638-4654**

Applicant's digital or typed signature

Date