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Alyssa Harris, MS, Joins Pittsburgh-area-based Contract Research Organization, Clinical Research Strategies, LLC, as Clinical and Regulatory Affairs Project Lead

Pittsburgh, PA – February 1, 2021. Clinical Research Strategies, LLC ("CRS"), a Pittsburgh-area-based, US-owned and operated contract research organization (CRO) and executive management consultancy for the life sciences industry is pleased to announce the addition of **Alyssa Harris**, MS, Clinical and Regulatory Affairs Project Lead, to the firm. Ms. Harris earned her master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh in Health, Physical Activity and Chronic Disease (research track) and joins the team as an experienced project lead in a federally funded research program in premature newborn critical care indications at UPMC Magee Women's Hospital. Most recently, Ms. Harris helped lead 11 participating research sites in a large, multi-center, interventional randomized clinical trial involving the most vulnerable newborns with gestational age of 23-28 weeks.

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Prior to UPMC Magee Women's Hospital, Ms. Harris worked for the University of Pittsburgh's Healthy Lifestyle Institute as a researcher and instructor involved with study protocols and other intervention sessions for adults in a variety of weight control and physical activity programs. Ms. Harris remains very active in teaching yoga, marathon running, and other recreational activities, and is a certified CPR instructor.

"Alyssa truly demonstrates the prerequisite energy, desire to learn and contribute, and character traits of empathy and trust that we look for in our colleagues," says Alethea Wieland, president and co-founder. Wieland adds, "Without question, Alyssa will be a value-add to our consulting and clinical research practice groups, and we look forward to expanding her leadership skills in preparation to become among the next generation of life sciences leaders."

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