inVentiv Health Clinical’s Rater Training Services team provides expert, comprehensive rater evaluation, rater training, and scales management services coupled with unparalleled scientific, technical, and procedural support. Our extensive global experience and customizable, client-focused approach uniquely prepare us to enhance the validity and reliability of outcome measurements in your clinical trials.

Key factors that differentiate inVentiv Health Clinical’s Rater Training Services include:

- A full-time team comprising highly experienced clinical psychologists, neuropsychologists, psychometrists and assessment specialists who have extensive global experience providing rater training.
- Provision of ongoing project training and support throughout the study, not just at investigator meetings.
- An expert central rating review team led by doctoral-level clinicians, which focuses exclusively on providing careful and skilled review and/or scoring of in-study ratings conducted at investigative sites.
- Extensive experience with translation and linguistic validation of Clinical Outcome Assessments (COAs) in multiple languages, working with over 65 languages.
- Unlimited access to the global resources of the larger inVentiv Health Clinical organization worldwide.

**LEADING EXPERTISE**

Our team has proven expertise in rater training for numerous psychiatric, neurodegenerative, and other indications. inVentiv Health Clinical’s licensed psychiatrists, neuropsychologists, and clinical psychologists have years of clinical and research experience in academic and clinical settings. Their expertise encompasses both the indication as well as the instruments used to assess cognitive and behavioral functioning. We also leverage other expert clinical and scientific resources within inVentiv Health Clinical, and will engage key opinion leaders outside our organization to participate in the rater training program at your request to meet specific needs.

**COMPREHENSIVE CAPABILITIES**

We employ a variety of training and certification methodologies and technologies to deliver truly comprehensive rater training capabilities, including:

- The ability to tailor training programs and materials according to your specific needs
- Use of cutting edge technology to train, track and monitor raters
- Careful attention in training sponsor and CRO staff on the monitoring and interpretation of diagnostic, efficacy, safety, and other types of scales, carried throughout the trial
- Centralized review of study data to protect against rater inflation and other rater errors
- Centralized scoring of study data by experts to enhance the quality of ratings and protect against rater inflation

**THE RATER TRAINING TEAM**

- 40% of our full-time team members have doctoral degrees
- Over 15 years of rater training experience
- Experience globally in more than 60 countries
- Participated in more than 200 studies across multiple indications

**CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Rater training
- Rater evaluation (Central Rating Review)
- Scales Management & Translation, including linguistic validation of COAs, copyrights, workbooks
- Incorporation of innovative technology for training and rater review

**PROVEN PERFORMANCE**

Central rating review programs developed and managed by inVentiv Health Clinical for Alzheimer’s disease studies consistently show that as raters receive feedback and retraining, the average number of errors per subject visit decreases by over 30%.
• Expert biostatistical analysis of rater data for reporting in recognition of the regulatory importance of documentation of rater training and inter-rater reliability
• Translation and linguistic validation of COAs, based on our work with a large number of languages and regional variations.

Our operations are characterized by strong teamwork within the rater training group, the rest of the clinical team, the raters and sites, and with the client. Rater activity is meticulously tracked and documented, and rapid response to the questions, needs, and training requirements of raters and CRAs allows sites to participate in studies without delays.

We also have the flexibility to offer innovative solutions such as audio- or video-recorded evaluation of raters—a highly effective approach to confirming the proper utilization of various testing methodologies required for a given study.