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**BRIGHT FUTURE GIFT DRIVE AIDS YOUTH TRANSITIONING
FROM FOSTER CARE TO INDEPENDENT LIVING**

***CITrials teams with Orangewood Children's Foundation to Collect Gifts For
An At-risk Youth Group Often Overlooked at the Holidays***

COSTA MESA, Calif. (December XX, 2012) – In an effort to make the New Year happier for youth over 18 who are transitioning from foster care to independent living, CITrials has teamed with Orangewood Children's Foundation to launch the *Bright Future Gift Drive* at all five of its clinical research facilities in Southern California. The beneficiaries of this special gift drive are recently emancipated youth who no longer have access to services provided to neglected and abused minor children.

“When we learned that more than 65% of youth coming out of the foster care system become emancipated without a place to live and more than half will struggle to find work, we knew we wanted to collect basic needs items for kids like these who are overlooked by other holiday gift and toy drives,” said Deb Hoffmeyer, CITrials Founder and CEO. “We hope the public will join us in donating everyday items like toiletries, non-perishable food and gently worn or new clothes that can be worn for job interviews or work. These simple gifts will mean so much to these young people.”

Among the most wished for items are personal items (e.g., shampoo, deodorant, shaving kits, body wash, wallet, purse, clothing); household goods (e.g., dinnerware, flatware, pots and pans, cooking utensils, bathroom and kitchen towels); and gift cards in small denominations of \$10 - \$25 for stores like Target, Wal-Mart, Ralphs, Albertsons and Ross. For a complete list visit <http://www.facebook.com/clinicaltrials>.

Starting this week through January 15, people are asked to drop off unwrapped gifts at one of the following CITrials locations between the hours of 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday - Friday:

- 1675 Scenic Avenue, Suite 100, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
- 801 N. Tustin Avenue, Suite 600, Santa Ana, CA 92705

- 10655 Roselle Street, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92121
- 5700 Division Street, Suite 101, Riverside, CA 92506
- 15625 Lakewood Boulevard, Paramount, CA 90723

About Orangewood Children's Foundation

Orangewood Children's Foundation is a private, nonprofit organization founded in 1981. Our mission is to provide life-changing programs and one-on-one support for abused and neglected children and at-risk families to end the cycle of child abuse. Our programs focus on the areas of education, supportive services, life-stage transition and child abuse prevention. Support for our programs is based on our successful outcomes due to our extensive understanding of the needs of our clients and effective partnerships with public and private organizations. In our history we have helped over 74,000 kids find their wings and soar. Beyond our programs, for thousands in our communities Orangewood means "family," "opportunity" and "hope." Learn how you can help at www.orangewoodfoundation.org.

About CITrials

With five research sites in Southern California, CITrials conducts and performs Phase I-IV clinical trials to further the development of medications benefiting patients, communities and physicians around the globe. CITrials specializes in Psychiatric clinical trials in areas including Schizophrenia, Schizo-affective, Bi-polar - manic and depressive, Major depressive disorder, Generalized anxiety disorder, Alzheimer's disease and ADHD. Its expertise in Internal Medicine clinical trials includes Migraine, Hypertension, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Hyper-Lipidemia, Pharmacokinetics, and Diabetes. A privately-held company, CITrials has headquarters in Costa Mesa, Calif.

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