

CTSA Clinical & Translational Science Awards Program

CTSA Program Steering Committee meeting
February 12, 2018, 2:30-4:00pm
Webinar

Steering Committee Attendees:

Christopher Austin	Barry Coller	Melissa Haendel	Martin Zand
Kathleen Brady	Dan Cooper	Donald Lloyd-Jones	
Ebony Boulware	Dan Ford	Susan Smyth	
David Center	Alan Green	Joel Tsevat	

NCATS Attendees:

Penny Burgoon	Valery Gordon	Mary Purucker
Mike Kurilla	Samantha Jonson	Erica Rosemond

Session	Summary Discussion	Action Item
NCATS Update (Austin)	<p>NCATS updates will be recurring on meetings going forward. Christopher Austin provided an overview of the federal budget process. For any questions, please contact NCATS or your Program Officer.</p> <p>Upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Rare Disease Day – February 28th NIH will be hosting Rare Disease Day on March 1st; link for video cast: https://events-support.com/events/NIH_Rare_Disease_Day Highlighted dates for Spring CTSA Program in-person suite of meetings will take place, April 18-19 and ACTS meeting, April 19-21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ClinicalTrials.Gov presentation added to Program meeting agenda based on feedback from previous SC meeting <p>Update on Opioid Efforts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circulate ideas throughout the consortium so hubs can learn from each other Be well positioned to showcase the work of the CTSA Program to our stakeholders Open Opportunity through the CCIA awards (PAR-18-244, reissue of PAR-15-172); next submission date is due March 8, 2018 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOT-TR-18-013: Expands the list of high priority translational research opportunities to conduct novel clinical research studies intended to develop and test models of care for Opioid Use Disorders within medical settings including primary care, emergency departments, and neo-natal units <p>Building a Pilot for Local Clinical Research Network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIH Clinical Center held a meeting of local healthcare institutions to assess interest in collaborating and utilizing Clinical Center resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIH Clinical Center expressed interest in exploring clinical research training curriculum by assembling a small group of CTSA Program PIs as initial group; more information to come as this is further developed 	None

<p>Communications Workgroup to the SC Update Pod Feedback Discussion (Brady)</p>	<p>Transition of new communication style for PI calls referenced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forum/town hall style PI call • Survey provided by CLIC on usefulness of Pods <p>Pod Feedback Report Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback indicated Pod calls are moderately useful • Mixed reviews on retaining pod structure or whether to change or replace them; explore frequency and an alternate communication mechanism • Pods could be restructured based on interest or geographical locations; bring this to the pods on reorganization • Suggestion for Pod leaders/administrative staff to compose an abridgment of Pod calls to deliver to SC via CLIC • SC proposes one topic for Pod calls to drive an autonomous discussion, without restriction of additional topics • See final report: https://clic-ctsa.org/sites/default/files/20180219_CTSA_Program_Pod_Feedback_Report.pdf <p>SC/Pod leader to discuss with your pod:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether pods should be organized by region or special interest 	<p>Pods to continue to be held.</p> <p>SC/Pod leader to report pod feedback on the Contact Us site on the CLIC website.</p> <p>CLIC will construct a moderated discussion forum within current framework on CLIC website</p>
<p>Informatics Domain Taskforce (iDTF) Update (Lloyd-Jones)</p>	<p>The group is working to identify and harmonize the relationship between iDTF and CD2H (Center for Data to Health)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying each group’s roles when instituting additional Work Groups that will address identified translational needs in Informatics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Awareness for overlapping goals but need to ensure there are productive and non-intersecting Working Groups • Proposed CD2H WGs <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Data 2. Software, Tools & Algorithms 3. Ontologies & Standard 4. People, Expertise & Attributions 5. Evaluation 6. Engagement 7. Education 8. Rare Disease 9. Lifespan • NCATS has supported the new model for CD2H and iDTF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CD2H would be responsible for scope requiring action by sites ○ iDTF WGs would address those topics that affect CTSA policy and Informatics communities 	<p>CD2H WGs will have a narrower scope while iDTF will focus on broader topics</p>
<p>Brainstorming: April Face to Face Steering Committee agenda (All)</p>	<p>Development of agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will look at how DTFs are structured and communication with other DTFs, NCATS and SC • In preparation for the meeting, a survey specific to DTFs could be developed to gather data on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Goals ○ Budget ○ Leadership structure ○ Working Group timelines • Foresight for potential issues the CTSA Program consortium could confront 	<p>Add “CLIC updates” on Program meeting agenda.</p> <p>Brady, Zand, Cooper & Jonson to create draft survey to be provided to</p>

		<p>DTF and WG leads</p> <p>Jonson will draft a SC agenda and circulate to SC members</p>
<p>Discussion on Topics from Pods (All)</p>	<p>Discussion topics developed from the Mod Pod (Coller, Blazar, Khosla, Shehkar, Drezner & Green):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topics could be considered by Methods & Processes DTF • Suggested a focus for Nursing schools to address GCPs and research nursing <p>SC/Pod leader to discuss with your pod:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether nurses caring for patients in clinical studies have GCP-level skills in conducting clinical research. • The CTSA Program should act as a convener for research pharmacists to share experiences and best practices in addressing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a) the increasingly stringent (and costly) requirements for obtaining and compounding research drugs; ○ b) transport of research pharmaceuticals across State barriers; and ○ c) maximizing the safety of administering investigational agents. • The CTSA Program should investigate the impact of EPIC's creation of COSMOS on other CTSA Program-supported networks. 	<p>CLIC will develop an online forum to promote additional topic sharing</p> <p>Pods to discuss these topics and submit their feedback to Tricia, SC coordinator at CLIC or through the Contact Us site on the CLIC website</p>