

CTSA Clinical & Translational Science Awards Program

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

Steering Committee Attendees:

Kathleen Brady	Dan Cooper	Alan Green	Joel Tsevat
Ebony Boulware	Brad Evanoff	Melissa Haendel	Martin Zand
David Center	Dan Ford	Phil Kern	
Barry Collier	Jennifer Grandis	Don Lloyd-Jones	

NCATS Attendees:

Ken Gersing	Samantha Jonson	Mike Kurilla	Erica Rosemond
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Session	Summary Discussion	Action Item
<p>NCATS Update (Kurilla)</p>	<p>NCATS updates will be recurring on meetings going forward. Mike Kurilla provided an overview of the federal budget process. For any questions, please contact NCATS or your Program Officer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HHS Budget-in-Brief: https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/fy-2019-budget-in-brief.pdf <p>Opioid Update – NIDA Collaboration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions ensuing in NIH community regarding expected budgets to be received in FY 2018 allocated for a number of anticipated initiatives associated with Opioids • CCIA award: solicitations were due March 8th– several Opioid proposals submitted; potential to institute funding in FY 2018 • Working Group established by the CTSA Program Steering Committee discussing likely activities the CTSA may undertake <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aiming to have results for discussion at F2F meeting in April <p>Meeting/Event Reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTSA Program Steering Committee (SC) Meeting – morning of Wednesday, April 18th • Spring 2018 CTSA Program Meeting – afternoon of Wednesday, April 18th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ https://clic-ctsa.org/events/spring-ctsa-program-meeting ○ CLIC updates will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Visualizations on 2016 Common Metrics data; data will be de-identified ➤ Communications, i.e.; opportunities board, support structures of DTFs and Working Groups ➤ Collaborative efforts, i.e.; future Un-meetings <p>Inquiry for guidance on the scope of integration of research into Healthcare</p>	<p>Landscape analysis survey to be sent to SC within a week</p> <p>Mobilize SC to provide successful methodologies regarding implementation for research into healthcare; criteria for solicitation will be provided</p>

<p>CTSA External Reviewer Exchange Consortium (Jenkins, Schneider)</p>	<p>CTSA External Reviewer Exchange Consortium (CEREC) evolved from a Pilot Study Programs survey conducted by UCI throughout the CTSA network. UCI was venturing to identify best practices to assist in guiding program decisions. It's comprised of nine CTSA hubs who leverage each other's resources and knowledge base.</p> <p>Highlights of presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online management system created to manage reviewer requests and status; Google drive utilized for shared work space • Autonomous decision to join the consortium with eagerness for collaboration • Process helps eliminate duplicative work, provide transparency and enhance efficiency • Continuing to improve processes by generating automated reminders if reviewers haven't responded within 48 hours • Utilizing external reviewers enhanced quality of reviews and reduced potential bias • Community members will be integrated into the review process via training with CEREC partners <p>CTSA External Reviewer Exchange Consortium (CEREC) Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enthusiasm to aid in developing a more sustainable network with relatable efforts and tools; leverage current platform and expand • Opportunity to replicate current model among additional CTSA hubs; development of a training manual would be essential • Program could be diluted if disseminated too widely • Currently focuses only on Pilot Programs, does not encompass TL1 or KL2 • Are the Pods the right size to replicate existing model? 	<p>MHaendel views synergistic opportunities between CEREC and CD2H/Informatics</p>
<p>Domain Task Force Discussion (Brady)</p>	<p>DTF Update document being utilized to solicit updates from Full DTF and Working Group leads to assist in assessing the current state of the Domain Task Forces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion to solicit input from the pods about effectiveness of DTFs • Work Group could direct CLIC via a survey by requesting feedback from PIs and DTF representatives; could offer a larger landscape • Implore feedback from Pods to assist in proper questioning /crafting survey 	<p>DTF lead to present at Spring SC meeting about DTF projections</p> <p>Sam Jonson to send DTF Update template to SC for review</p> <p>Prepare recommendations for new Working Group; assemble volunteers</p>
<p>Discussion on Topics from the Pods (All)</p>	<p>Pod Feedback Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mod Pod (Coller, Blazar, Khosla, Shehkar, Drezner & Green) proposed a CTSA Collaboration Bulletin Board where CTSA investigators, with the approval of their PI, could post requests for collaborators on defined projects using a standardized template 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLIC currently has mechanism in place; could incorporate into Opportunities Board • Opportunity for CLIC & CD2H to partner and capitalize on the Opportunities Board and tools being created by CD2H to drive traffic to CLIC website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Could extend to the TIN and Hub collaborators • SC can look at different components of the CTSA program to assess how it contributes to the overall goal of translational science • Is the strategic vision aligned with SC? Key aspects of the SC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conceptualize common themes for the direction of the program and not restricted to one vision ○ Identify emerging efforts from CTSA program hubs to align with NIH research initiatives • Employ CTSA hubs to share issues and solutions confronted with multi-site clinical trials and single IRBs <p>SC/Pod leader to discuss with your pod:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtain feedback from Pods about DTFs • What is the general direction and big ideas the CTSA should take on and how to get there • Any best practices for integration of research into their clinical enterprise or problems and solutions; suggestions for potential speakers. 	<p>Pods to continue to discuss suggested topics and submit their feedback to Tricia, SC coordinator at CLIC or through the Contact Us site on the CLIC website</p>
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