



# 2023 CCTS TRAINING SYMPOSIUM

THE RELAY TO TRANSLATIONAL DISCOVERY

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Golden Nugget Biloxi

151 Beach Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39530

September 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*\*Sessions and Speakers are subject to change\**

### Wednesday, September 27, 2023

3:00pm-7:00pm Pre-Function Area	<b>Registration and Check-In at Golden Nugget Biloxi</b>
3:15pm-5:15pm Ship Island A	<b>BERD Clinic (Registration required)</b> <i>Register to have your research project design reviewed by our BERD experts</i>
5:30pm-7:30pm Grand Ballroom ABC	<b>Poster Session and Networking Reception</b> <i>The CCTS welcomes its Community of Scholars for an eventful evening of scholarship and networking while engaging with poster presenters to absorb knowledge and understanding of their research projects, institutions, and expertise while cultivating essential skills in communication and making connections.</i>

### Thursday, September 28, 2023

7:15am-8:40am Pre-Function Area	<b>Scholars Networking Breakfast</b> <i>Breakfast Buffet will be served</i>
8:40am-8:45am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Nita Limdi, PharmD, PhD (UAB)
8:45am-9:30am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Team Building Workshop</b> Molly Wasko, PhD (UAB) <i>Start your day with a fun team building workshop that will set the tone for your day with an exercise in developing camaraderie,</i>
8:45am-9:30am Ship Island A	<b>BERD Clinic (Registration required)</b> <i>Register to have your research project design reviewed by our BERD experts</i>
9:30am-10:15am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Community Engagement in Research Panel</b> Jennifer Caldwell, PhD (PBRC), Meagan Brown, PhD (UMMC), Clifford Kennon, MPA (UAB – Moderator) <i>Panelists will discuss topics to underscore the importance of community engagement in research and to recognize the significance of involving community members, stakeholders, and affected individuals in the research process to ensure integrity, relevance, inclusivity, and ethical considerations.</i>



<p>10:15am-11:00am Grand Ballroom DEF</p>	<p><b>Informatics Gateway Presentations</b></p> <p>AI in Medicine and Health: Jake Chen, PhD (UAB) <i>Artificial Intelligence is advancing at light-speed and is becoming a part of our everyday lives. This training session kicks off a three mini-presentation series leading with the knowledge and skills needed to harness the potential of AI technologies to enhance healthcare delivery, improve patient outcomes, and contribute to the ongoing transformation of the medical field.</i></p> <p>Not Just Chat – Clinical Applications of Generative AI: John Osborne, PhD (UAB) <i>In this session, participants will gain insight into processing, understanding, and effectively using NLP techniques and generative AI models.</i></p> <p>i2b2 and DataLENS: Matthew Wyatt, MSHI (UAB) <i>The session will equip participants with the tools to access clinical data while applying methodologic rigor in research design.</i></p>					
<p>11:00am-1:00pm Grand Ballroom ABC</p>	<p><b>Lunch and Keynote Speaker</b></p> <p>Joyce Balls-Berry, PhD (Washington University St. Louis)</p>					
<p>1:00pm-1:15pm</p>	<p><b>BREAK</b> <b>Stretch, Take a Deep Breath, Loosen Your Limbs, Hydrate</b></p>					
<p>1:15pm-2:15pm Ship Island A and B</p>	<p><b>Mock Study Section</b> David Pollock, PhD (UAB) <i>Get ready to jump into the driver’s seat and experience what happens after a grant is submitted from the perspective of an NIH study section reviewer. Participants will be able to apply study section methods to specific use cases, interpret how a review of an initial submission is conveyed in a summary statement, and understand how investigators respond to feedback.</i></p>	<p><b>“Been There, Done That, I Can Tell You All About It” Panel (Former K Scholars)</b> Sara Davis, PhD(USA), Ray Langley, PhD(USA), Jeanne Merchant, MPH (UAB – Moderator) <i>Trainees get to hear from former trainees about the path they are walking and receive wisdom about the journey they are currently on. Early career investigators share their experiences, obstacles, and successes that they encountered as part of their KL2 mentored development award.</i></p>				
<p>2:15pm-2:30pm Pre-Function Area</p>	<p><b>BREAK</b> <b>Stretch, Take a Deep Breath, Loosen Your Limbs, Hydrate</b></p>					
<p>2:30pm-3:35pm Ship Island A,B,C</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Concurrent Sessions</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="380 1461 763 1539">Ship Island A Career Development</th> <th data-bbox="763 1461 1146 1539">Ship Island B Clinical Research</th> <th data-bbox="1146 1461 1523 1539">Ship Island C Grant Writing</th> </tr> </thead> </table>			Ship Island A Career Development	Ship Island B Clinical Research	Ship Island C Grant Writing
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<p>2:30pm-3:00pm</p>	<p>"Yes, You Belong Here: Imposter Syndrome" Frannie Horn, JD (UAB) <i>Many individuals face the feeling of Imposter Syndrome in their professional and academic lives. This session will empower individuals to cultivate a positive and</i></p>	<p>"Clinical Research Team Development" Meredith Fitz-Gerald, MSN, RN (UAB), Stefanie White, CCRP (USA) <i>The success of implementing clinical research falls on the strength of its teams. Participants will be equipped</i></p>	<p>"Data Management and Sharing" David Redden, PhD (AUB) <i>The NIH has instituted new requirements in 2023 that require data management and sharing plans for all grant submissions. Participants will be able to understand the</i></p>			



	<i>supportive environment (both for themselves and those around them), promoting mental well-being, personal growth, professional development, and managing Imposter Syndrome effectively.</i>	<i>with foundational knowledge to develop skills and competencies to build strong and effective clinical research teams and create the space for successful execution of research projects.</i>	<i>processes and best practices involved in effectively handling, organizing, and sharing data in a structured and secure manner.</i>
3:05pm-3:35pm	<p><b>"Navigating The Career Ladder"</b>            Lucio Miele, MD, PhD (LSUHSC)  <i>Climbing the rungs of the career ladder can feel daunting without first knowing how to climb and knowing where those steps will lead you. This session will allow for participants to gain valuable knowledge and develop the behaviors necessary to progress successfully through various stages of a career and achieve one's career goals.</i></p>	<p><b>"How To Not Give A Bad Talk"</b>            Ken Saag, MD (UAB)  <i>Giving a scientific talk requires effectively communicating your research and disseminating effectively with your audience. In this session, participants will learn "Presentation Pearls" that will give you the tools to present a scientific talk with more confidence.</i></p>	<p><b>"Writing Specific Aims"</b>            Mark Gillespie, PhD (USA)  <i>Building a grant starts with putting your best foot forward and grabbing the attention of a reviewer with a formidable set of Specific Aims. Participants will learn the tricks of the trade and gain necessary knowledge to craft clear, focused, and compelling research objectives that effectively communicate the significance and feasibility of the proposed project.</i></p>
3:35pm-3:45pm Pre-Function Area	<p><b>BREAK</b>  <b>Prepare for the excitement of 3MT!</b></p>		
3:45pm-5:15pm Grand Ballroom DEF	<p><b>Three Minute Thesis Presentations (Trainees) – (Maximum 14 presenters)</b>  <i>This is a session you do not want to miss! In a mad dash Minute-to-Win-It format, attendees will get to soak in innovative research projects from speakers while the presenters sharpen the skills necessary to effectively communicate complex research ideas to a non-specialist audience in a concise and engaging manner. Winners will be determined by the entire crowd in attendance!</i></p>		
5:20pm-6:15pm Pre-Function Area	<p><b>Re-Energization Break (Refresh, Enjoy the scenic view, Reflect, Take in the moment)</b></p>		
6:15pm-9:00pm Grand Ballroom DEF	<p><b>Community of Scholars Dinner</b>  <b>*Everyone please gather together at 6:30pm for a symposium group photo*</b>  <i>The CCTS welcomes its Community of Scholars for an eventful evening of scholarship and networking while engaging with fellow scholars from across the Partner Network while cultivating relationships and making connections.</i></p>		
<b>Friday, September 29, 2023</b>			
7:00am-8:00am Pre-Function Area	<p><b>Scholars Networking Breakfast</b>  <i>Breakfast Buffet will be served</i></p>		





8:25am-8:30am Grand Ballroom ABC	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Meagan Brown, PhD (UMMC)
8:30am-9:15am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Innovation Scholar Spotlight – “Alternate” Career Paths and Opening Doors</b> Cailin Kellum, MBA (UAB) <i>This session will provide the audience with an impactful message from a student ambassador of the American Physiological Society that will highlight the synergistic opportunities between a CTSA and the APS to showcase career pathways and foster development of scholars who are looking to expand their research capabilities.</i>
9:15am-10:15am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Scientific Platforms and Drug Discovery Session</b> Corinne Augelli-Szafran, PhD (SR) <i>In this session, attendees will gain a comprehensive overview of the advancements of scientific platforms and drug discovery processes that drives innovation efforts in translational science.</i>
10:15am-11:00am Grand Ballroom DEF	<b>Career Pathway Panel: Academia or Industry?</b> Sara Cooper, PhD (HAIB), Corinne Augelli-Szafran, PhD(SR), Jennifer Pollock, PhD (UAB), Molly Wasko, PhD (UAB-Moderator) <i>Academic and Industry career pathways in research have given trainees and scholars more options to practice their craft and bring innovative research ideas to the world. Hear the perspective of investigators who have seen the research career path through both an academic and non-academic lens. Participants will leave the session more informed about alternative career pathways and non-academic research professions.</i>

11:00am-12:00pm Ship Island A and B	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>	
	<b>Ship Island A Career Development</b>	<b>Ship Island B Grant Writing and Team Science</b>
11:00am-11:30am	"Think About You: Mental and Personal Wellness" Tyren Lucas, MBA (UAB) <i>Taking care of your personal well-being is the key to preparedness for your academic and professional journey. Participants will leave this session knowing the importance of wellness and take away key points to live a happier, healthier, and fulfilling life while pursuing their professional goals.</i>	"What Your Biostatistician Wants You To Know" Bob Oster, PhD (UAB), Madhuri Mulekar, PhD (USA) <i>Hear it from the pros who are here to equip participants with a foundational understanding of how to engage methodologists on a research project. Participants will leave the session with knowledge on ways maximize their input and expertise on the rigor of research design while bringing awareness on what it takes to make evidence-based decisions in the field of biostatistics.</i>
11:30am-12:00pm	"Hidden Curriculum of Career Development" Bertha Hidalgo, PhD (UAB) <i>An important phenomenon in today's workforce, pull back the curtain on the Hidden Curriculum's role in career advancement and</i>	"Multi-Site Clinical Trials: What They Tell You and What They Don't" Andy Barton, MS (TUL) <i>Navigating the pathways to get a Multi-Site Clinical Trial off the ground can be met with its own set of challenges. Get to know what things to</i>





	<i>understand how it can affect career choices, progression, and opportunities.</i>	<i>do and what to avoid throughout the life cycle of a clinical research study.</i>
12:00pm-1:30pm Grand Ballroom ABC	<b>Lunch and Keynote Speaker</b> Michelle Kong, MD (UAB)	
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Meeting Room	Square Footage	W x L	Ceiling Height	Theater	Classroom	*Banquet - Plated	*Banquet - Buffet	Reception	U-Shape	Hollow Square	Exhibits (5ft Tables)
GRAND BALLROOM	9,197	90 x 106	22	1,248	400	580	480	1,016			70
PRE-FUNCTION	1,932	26 x 77	14					203			15
GRAND A	1,195	26 x 39	22	90	50	60	50	126	40	50	15
GRAND B	1,393	40x 39	22	120	72	100	70	147	60	70	24
GRAND C	1,006	24 x 39	22	90	50	50	50	106	35	40	15
GRAND ABC	3,594	90 x 39	22	500	250	220	150	378	90	110	50
GRAND ABCG						290	220				
GRAND ABC Foyer											6
GRAND D	1,164	24 x 49	22	80	50	50	50	123	40	40	15
GRAND E	1,749	40 x 49	22	180	100	110	90	184	60	60	24
GRAND F	1,512	33 x 49	22	60	50	60	50	159	40	40	15
GRAND DEF	4,425	97 x 49	22	650	225	280	170	466	80	123	50
GRAND DEFG						350	240				
GRAND DEF Foyer											6
GRAND STAGE	953	49 x 20	22								
SHIP ISLAND	4,222	8 x 53	14	300	180	220	160	400	80	90	40
SHIP ISLAND Foyer											12
SHIP ISLAND A	1,307	24 x 53	14	110	60	80	60	130	30	30	15
SHIP ISLAND B	1,696	32 x 53	14	110	60	80	60	130	30	30	15
SHIP ISLAND C	1,278	24 x 53	14	110	60	80	60	130	30	30	15
ROUND ISLAND A	808	28 x 30	14								Executive Board Room for 14
ROUND ISLAND B	750	25 x 30	14								Executive Board Room for 14
CAT ISLAND	816	24 x 34	14	50	35	50	50	60	30	30	5
DEER ISLAND	2,946	53 x 30	14	200	120	130	130	200	65	80	30
HORN ISLAND	1,108	38 x 33	14	60	40	50	50	70	30	30	5

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