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CCTS DIGEST
Center for Clinical and Translational Science

Providing solutions to sharpen science, improve human health, and address disparities and diseases disproportionately represented within the Deep South.

THE EDGE

Did You Know?

Edge for Scholars (Efs) is a national blog that offers "candid commentary and gritty truths" to "sharpen your academic edge." Topics span the gamut of graduate, postdoc, and faculty life, from grant writing and productivity to career development and leadership. A recent post, "Salvaging an Insufficient Offer," is an example of the stellar real-world advice available on Efs, offering a list of concrete Dos and Don'ts that will resonate with anyone who has received an offer letter that was underwhelming. The tips, including avoiding the word *but* during conversations with a department chair and reading the international bestseller, *Getting to Yes*, "in a day, like your salary depends on it, which it might," will help academics at any career stage negotiate more effectively during salary and start-up package discussions. Btw, **CCTS has its own edition on Efs** follow us for career development advice and opportunities tailored to clinical and translational investigators, such as our **immersive Mini-sabbatical training program**. [More](#)

News/Announcements



CCTS 4th Bioethics Forum Explores New Issues in Era of Precision Medicine

Building on previous forums that explored the importance of trust and trustworthiness in research, the 2019 CCTS Bioethics Forum focused on new issues raised by the return of results in large population-based clinical and genetic studies. Leading PIs from the Alabama Genomic Health Initiative (AGHI) and the Jackson Heart Study shared lessons learned. A special panel discussion featured the experiences of several AGHI participants. [More](#)



CCTS Announces New Dates for Popular i2b2 Training

If you have not yet taken "Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2," our hands-on training for investigators to explore the i2b2 database for accessing de-identified patient data, checking study feasibility, developing hypotheses, and more, you are in luck. Several new dates from May through the summer have been announced. Registration is required. Supervisory approval is required for non-faculty (e.g., trainees, staff). All attendees are strongly encouraged to [request i2b2 access](#) prior to their session. Already trained on i2b2? [Download our new i2b2 flyer](#) and share with interested colleagues! [More](#)

Funding Opportunities



Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) FOA
The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) will make ~75 awards of up to \$1 million each to networks and/or consortia to implement core substance/opioid use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery activities in high-risk rural communities. Proposals should align with the U.S. Department for Health and Human Services' **Five-Point Strategy to Combat the Opioid Crisis**. Applications for HRSA-19-082 are due by **May 6**. [More](#)



High-End Instrumentation (HEI) Grant Program (S10 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

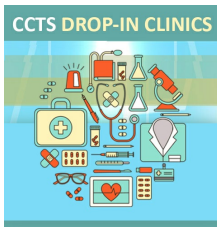
The HEI Grant Program encourages applications from groups of NIH-supported investigators to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems. Companion funding opportunity with **PAR-19-178** and **PAR-19-179**. **Apply by May 31**. [More](#)



UAB-HudsonAlpha Genomic Medicine Post-Doctoral Training Program

If you are a physician-scientist, we urge you to explore this opportunity. This T32 program prepares postdoctoral trainees for academic careers in genomic medicine. It enables postdocs from any area of medicine to obtain the skills necessary to conceive, plan, and conduct research in genomic medicine as well as present and publish their results. [More](#)

This Week's Learning Opportunities



CCTS Drop-In Clinics

Join us for the weekly Monday Drop-In Clinic for free consultations in Biostats, Epidemiology and Research Design. No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

April 22 | 10am-2pm | Edge of Chaos|[More](#)



CCTS Drug Discovery Seminar Series

Rich Whitley, MD, Professor of Pediatrics at UAB, will discuss "Clinical Trials." Cosponsored by CCTS Partners UAB and Southern Research. Zoom available.

April 22 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | [More](#)



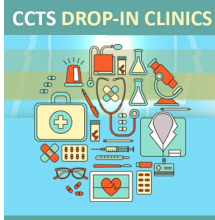
Case Studies in Mentoring: Assessing Mentee Understanding

Bring your questions and concerns and join us as we explore the nuances of the mentor-mentee relationship. Our case-based discussions help participants discover new strategies to maximize the benefits of this career-enhancing skill. Open to investigators at any level from across the CCTS Partner Network. **Registration requested**, walk-ins welcome. Zoom available.

April 24 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | [More](#)

CCTS Drop-In Clinics

Join us for the fourth Wednesday Drop-In Clinics for free consultations in Biostats, Epidemiology and Research Design (BERD). No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.



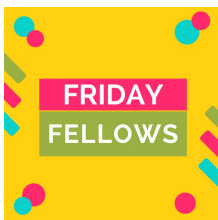
April 24 | 11:30am-1pm | PCAMS | [More](#)



Clinical Innovation Network

Rubin Pillay, PhD, MD, MBA, and Andrew Smith, MD, PhD, invite you and your colleagues to the UAB Medicine Clinical Innovation Network meeting. Holly Meadows, JD, Attorney at Walding LLC, will discuss "Is There Value in Your IP?" Refreshments will be served. RSVP to creno@uab.edu.

April 25 | 5-6pm | FOT 1202 | [More](#)



CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

This meeting provides the opportunity for investigators, trainees, and others interested in population and health outcomes research to discuss best practices. Share your latest project in a supportive "discipline agnostic" environment; find new collaborators; develop foundational skills in study design, outcomes measurement, and evaluation; and practice critical "soft" career skills such as public speaking, networking, and providing/accepting constructive feedback. Zoom available.

April 26 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | [More](#)



Informatics Institute Seminar PowerTalk

Ryan Irvin, PhD, MS, Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology at UAB School of Public Health and 2016 CCTS Interdisciplinary Network Pilot Program Awardee, will present. Zoom available.

April 26 | 9-10am | Cudworth 102 | [More](#)

Upcoming Events

MAY

Center for Genomic Medicine Symposium

Registration required

May 1 | 10am-6pm | Jackson Center | Huntsville, Alabama

Case Studies in Mentoring: Addressing Equity and Inclusion

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

May 1 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | Zoom Available

UAB Research Center of Excellence in Arsenicals - BARDA: US Government Efforts for Chemical Medical Countermeasures Advanced Development

May 2 | 12-1pm | Volker Hall Rm B

CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

May 3 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | Zoom Available

CCTS Friday Mentoring Lunch

Registration requested

May 3 | 12-1pm | PCAMS

TEDxBirmingham

Registration required

May 3-4 | Alys Stephens Center | UAB

Computational Genomics Immersion Course

Registration required

May 6-9 | 9am-12:30pm | Finley Conference Center

From Precision Medicine to Precision Health: NLM Partnerships

May 6 | 10-11am | Cudworth Auditorium

UAB Research Center of Excellence in Arsenicals: Arsenic and The Kidney

May 6 | 12-1pm | THT 740

Kaizen Game: Rigor, Reproducibility & Transparency (R2T)

Registration required

May 6 - June 6 | Online

Case Studies in Mentoring: Cultivating Ethical Behaviors

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

May 8 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | Zoom Available

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2

Registration required. We strongly recommend attendees request i2b2 access prior to the training session.

May 8 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

CCTS Monthly Forum - To Be or Not To Be (Statistically Significant): The Great Debate

May 8 | 4-5:30pm | PCAMS | Zoom Available

CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

May 10 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | Zoom Available

TIERS - Research Ethics Redux: Review, Refresh and Resource

Registration requested.

May 10 | 11am-12pm | PCAMS | Zoom Available

HSE Entrepreneurial Grand Rounds: Lessons From an Academic in Avoiding the Ditches and Valleys of Commercial Death!

May 10 | 1-2pm | Auburn MRI Research Center | Zoom Available

Case Studies in Mentoring: Establishing an Authorship Policy

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

May 15 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | Zoom Available

Southeast Regional Society for Developmental Biology Meeting

Registration required

May 15-17 | Hill Student Center | UAB

CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

May 17 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | Zoom Available

Genetics and Genomics Seminar Series: Implementation of a Personalized Medicine Program Across a Community Health System

May 17 | 12pm | Finley Conference Center

Case Studies in Mentoring: Fostering Independence

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

May 22 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | Zoom Available

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2

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May 23 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A

CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

May 24 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | Zoom Available

Case Studies in Mentoring: Promoting Professional Development

Registration requested, walk-ins welcome

May 29 | 11am-12pm | Shelby 215 | Zoom Available

CCTS Friday Fellows Meeting

May 31 | 8-9:30am | PCAMS | Zoom Available

Complete listing of CCTS events