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Translational Science Misconceptions

In this article Christopher Austin shares the biggest surprise he's experienced as the director of the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS).

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Don't Miss the CCTS Bioethics Forum: This Friday, March 19th

The panelists are ready to answer your burning COVID-19 vaccination questions, each bringing unique perspectives to the conversation.

Learn more and register today.

Register for the March 24th CTSA Program Webinar: "Telemedicine/mHealth, COVID-19 and Translational Science"

This dynamic lineup of speakers includes [Eric Topol, MD](#), [David McSwain, MD](#), [Sanjeev Arora, MD](#), and [Emily Yoder, MS](#).

Register for the CTSA Webinar series [here](#).



UPCOMING EVENTS

Available Weekly

Drop-In Clinic: Biostats, Epidemiology, & Research Design (BERD)

Prepare your study-related questions for this online opportunity. By appointment only.
[Email for Details](#)

March 18 | 9am-12:30 pm Research Orientation Program

This program provides basic tools, familiarizes attendees with research study terms, and helps those new to research avoid common pitfalls.
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March 19 | 8-9:30am Friday Fellows

An opportunity for T32 pre and post docs, investigators, and others interested in population and health outcomes research to discuss research methods, career development, and works in progress.
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March 26 | 12-1PM The Future of NIDDK Clinical Research

Hosted by [LA CaTS](#) and presented by the Director of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), Griffin P. Rodgers, M.D., M.A.C.P.
[Register by March 19](#)

March 16 | 12-1pm Learning Health System Month Seminar

"Improvement in the Learning Health System" presented by Shea Polancich, PhD, RN.
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March 18 | 12-1pm Research Seminar Series: ClinicalTrials.gov

This series covers the latest need-to-know topics in clinical trials, with sessions curated by investigators and their research teams.
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March 19 | 10am-12pm CCTS Bioethics Forum

An expert panel conversation focused on "Equity and Trust for COVID-19 Testing, Treatment, and Vaccination: Where Do We Go from Here?" moderated by Drs. Faith E. Fletcher and Stephen Sodeke.
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Registration Now Open Skills for Health and Research Professionals (SHARP)

Columbia University's SHARP Training Program offers short, intensive boot camps led by field experts to teach in-demand skills on the hottest topics in research and education.
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CCTS Spotlight

Lanna Nations, MPPA

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"Ms. Nations is a jack of all trades in the grant development world. She helps organize and prepare submissions for large interdisciplinary proposals, coordinates internal and external reviews, and provides training opportunities for a myriad of federal funding agencies. Before COVID-19 limited our travel, she coordinated our trips to Washington, D.C. so that investigators could meet with Project Officers, and this included driving in D.C. traffic. From editor to chauffeur, she does it all and always with a smile."

-John Higginbotham, PhD, CCTS Site Lead, University of Alabama

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