May 2016

News from Northwestern University Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute

Save the Date!

May 5
A novel approach for integrating stakeholder perspectives in research-

Stakeholder Academic Research Panels
A part of the IPHAM seminar series

PubMed
An intro to PubMed

Writing manuscript retreat
A dedicated time and space for writing

May 6
9th annual Women's Cardiovascular Symposium
A program for those caring for women

NEWS

Comparing foods could get easier thanks to NUCATS funding
NUCATS voucher funding has helped catalog 17,000 foods and beverages in 18 months as part of an effort to make FoodSwitch, an Australian app, available in the United States. Click here to learn more about the app and Dr. Mark Huffman's work on this project.

NUCATS grant is helping develop new ALS treatment
In 2009, Hande Ozdinler, PhD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Neurology, received NUCATS Translational Innovation Grant. Click here to learn how this funding has supported ALS research.

Leading the way to a healthier Chicago
Healthy Chicago 2.0 is the city’s new four-year plan to improve the
May 10
**Genetics and Personalized Medicine**
Presented by Women's Health Research Institute

May 12
**REDCap New Project Owner Intro Session**
A session to help create a new project

May 19 & 26
**Clinical research coordinator basic training**
A course for early career research coordinators

June 6
**1st Mondays seminar series**
A program for early career faculty

June 10
**Biomedical Data Science Research Day**
Learn more about "big data" and analytics

Sept. 30
**6th annual Feinberg Medical Education Day**
The event will include workshops, awards

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May 10
Health and wellbeing of Chicago's neighborhoods and reduce health inequities across the city. Click [here](#) to see how Center for Community Health is playing a role in this exciting initiative.

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**HSIP student named to JAMIA Student Editorial Board**
Tim Herr has been appointed to the 2016-2017 Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA) Student Editorial Board. As a member of the board, Herr will take part in reviewing manuscripts submitted to the publication. This opportunity will allow him to build strong manuscript writing and reviewing skills by working with one of the top journals in the Medical Informatics field. Herr is a student in the Health and Biomedical Informatics track of the Health Sciences Integrated PhD Program (HSIP), studying pharmacogenomics.

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**SPOTLIGHT**

Meet Rena Yadlapati, MD, MSCI student
Rena Yadlapati, MD, is a student in NUCATS Master of Science in Clinical Investigation (MSCI) program. Click [here](#) to learn more about her research.

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Chicago Biomedical Consortium catalyst award**
Funding for one or two year new inter-institutional collaborative research projects in the broad area of Systems Biology.

- Funding: up to $250,000
- Deadline: May 13

**Chicago Biomedical Consortium high throughput screening supplemental grants program**
A grant to fund the discovery of innovation small-molecule probes and "hits."

- Funding: up to $20,000
- Deadline: May 27

**Alvin H. Baum Clinical Research Simulation Research Grant**
A grant for projects that have the potential to improve clinical care through simulation-based training or improve the use of simulation to evaluation the clinical environment or develop new technologies to emulate the clinical environment.

- Funding: $50,000
- Deadline: May 27
Pfizer’s Center for Translational Innovation call for proposals

NCATS is seeking pre-proposals from NIH researchers for collaboration opportunities to pursue scientific and medical advance through joint therapeutic development with the goal of identifying biologic compounds with activity in a pathway or a target of interest and moving the compounds into the clinic to test them.

- Deadline for pre-proposals: June 17

RESOURCE CORNER

Receive feedback from the community on your study idea

Getting someone else’s perspective on a research study’s implementation and dissemination can be incredibly valuable especially when that individual is someone who could be impacted by research findings. To help investigators make connections to those who are key stakeholders in their research, Center for Community Health has developed Stakeholder Academic Resource Panels (ShARPs) that bring together community and academic stakeholders with relevant experience or expertise on a research topic. During a ShARP, research teams can share their receive feedback from these stakeholders on any phase of research design, conduct or dissemination.

To learn more about ShARP, attend "A Novel Approach for Integrating Stakeholders Perspectives in Research-Stakeholder Academic Research panels (ShARPs)" presented by Grisel Robles-Schrader, MPA, Research Portfolio Manager for Community & Stakeholder Engagement, at noon on May 5 at the Baldwin Auditorium. The seminar can also be viewed as a webinar. Click here to watch the presentation.

INVESTIGATOR TIP
What role will sex play in my research?
Is this a question that you have asked while considering the design of a research study? For all NIH grants submitted after January 25, 2016, sex must be discussed as a biological variable and as a result, the question of how sex will impact your research must be addressed.

To help with the implementation of this new policy and to also raise awareness about the importance of sex inclusion in research, Northwestern University’s Women's Health Research Institute has developed a Research Toolbox. This online resource is a central repository of educational information on this topic and offers tools to assist in the planning and implementation of research that appropriately accounts for sex.

A few of the items in the Resource Toolbox include:

- 50 blog posts
- Discussing research that highlights the importance of sex inclusion
- Statistical considerations for basic science sex inclusive research document
- Patient recruitment assistance through the Illinois Women's Health Registry
- Videos discussing sex differences in various diseases
- Guidance on conducting animal research
- Steps to take to implement sex and gender inclusion in research

Over the next few months, articles will appear in NUCATS News that more sex inclusion resources.