



2023 CCTS TRAINING SYMPOSIUM

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Golden Nugget Biloxi

151 Beach Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39530

September 27th-29th, 2023

Sessions and Speakers are subject to change

Wednesday, September 27, 2023			
3:00pm-7:00pm Pre-Function Area	Registration and Check-In at Golden Nugget Biloxi		
3:15pm-5:15pm Ship Island A	BERD Clinic (Registration required – 5 total slots available)		
5:30pm-7:30pm Grand Ballroom DEF	<p>Poster Session and Networking Reception</p> <p><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 of the while cultivating essential skills in communication and making connections.</i></p>		
Thursday, September 28, 2023			
7:15am-8:40am Pre-Function Area	Scholars Networking Breakfast		
8:40am-8:45am Grand Ballroom ABC	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <p>Nita Limdi, PharmD, PhD (UAB)</p>		
8:45am-9:30am Ship Island A and B	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Trainee Team Building Workshop</td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: center;">TBD</td> </tr> </table>	Trainee Team Building Workshop	TBD
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9:30am-10:15am Grand Ballroom ABC	<p>Community Engagement in Research Panel</p> <p>Jennifer Caldwell (PBRC), Meagan Brown(UMMC), Clifford Kennon (UAB – Moderator)</p> <p><i>Panelists will discuss topics to underscore the importance of community engagement in research and 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 ABC	<p>Informatics Gateway Presentations</p> <p>AI in Medicine and Health: Jake Chen, PhD (UAB)</p> <p><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</i></p>		

	<p><i>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>This session is the second part of the of the series where participants will gain precursory knowledge about 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 properly processing and applying data is a key component in research design.</i></p>		
11:00am-1:00pm Grand Ballroom ABC	<p>Lunch and Keynote Speaker Joyce Balls-Berry, PhD (Washington University St. Louis)</p>		
1:00-1:15pm	BREAK		
1:15pm-2:15pm Ship Island A and B	<p>Mock Study Section 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 test cases, interpret how a review of an initial submission is conveyed in a summary statement, and understand how investigators interpret and review summary statements.</i></p>	<p>“Been There, Done That, I Can Tell You All About It” Panel (Former K Scholars) Sara Davis, PhD(USA), Ray Langley, PhD(USA) <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 trainees.</i></p>	
2:15pm-2:30pm Pre-Function Area	BREAK		
2:30pm-3:35pm Ship Island A,B,C	Concurrent Sessions		
	Ship Island A Career Development	Ship Island B Clinical Research	Ship Island C Grant Writing
2:30pm-3:00pm	<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 supportive environment(both for themselves and those around them), promoting mental well-being, personal growth, professional development, and managing Imposter Syndrome effectively.</i></p>	<p>"Clinical Research Team Development" Meredith Fitz-Gerald, MSN, RN, Stefanie White, CCRP (USA) <i>The success of implementing clinical research teams falls on the strength of its teams. Participants will be equipped 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></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 planning for all grant submissions. Participants will be able to understand the processes and best practices involved in effectively handling, organizing, and sharing data in a structured and secure manner in compliance with the NIH DMS policy.</i></p>
3:05pm-3:35pm	<p>“Navigating The Career Ladder” 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</i></p>	<p>"How To Not Give A Bad Talk" Ken Saag, MD <i>TBD (Session model is being finalized)</i></p>	<p>"Writing Specific Aims" Mark Gillespie, PhD (USA) <i>The building of 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</i></p>

	<i>gain valuable knowledge and develop the behaviors necessary to progress successfully through various stages of a career and achieve one's career goals.</i>		<i>needed to craft clear, focused, and compelling research objectives that effectively communicate the significance and feasibility of the proposed project.</i>
3:35pm-3:45pm Pre-Function Area	BREAK		

3:45pm-5:15pm Grand Ballroom ABC	Three Minute Thesis Presentations (Trainees) – (Maximum 14 presenters) <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>		
5:20pm-6:15pm Pre-Function Area	Re-Energization Break (Refresh, Enjoy the scenic view, Reflect, Take in the moment)		

6:15-9:00pm Grand Ballroom DEF	Community of Scholars Dinner <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>		
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Friday, September 29, 2023			
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7:00am-8:00am Pre-Function Area	Scholars Networking Breakfast		
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8:25am-8:30am Grand Ballroom ABC	Opening Remarks Meagan Brown, PhD (UMMC)		
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8:30am-9:15am Grand Ballroom ABC	BERD Clinic (Registration required – 5 total slots available)		
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9:15am-10:15am Grand Ballroom ABC	Scientific Platforms and Drug Discovery Session Corrine Augelli-Szafran, PhD (SR) <i>TBD (Session model is being finalized)</i>		
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10:15am-11:00am Grand Ballroom ABC	Career Pathway Panel: Academia or Industry? Sara Cooper, PhD (HAIB), Corrine Augelli-Szafran, PhD(SR), TBD <i>Academic and Industry career pathways in research has 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 careers.</i>		
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11:00am-12:00pm Ship Island A and B	Concurrent Sessions		
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	Ship Island A Career Development	Ship Island B Grant Writing and Team Science
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</i>	"What Your Biostatistician Wants You To Know" Bob Oster, PhD(UAB), Madhuri Mulekar, PhD(USA) <i>Your Biostatistician does not want to have you unprepared for the journey ahead of you when creating your study design. Hear it from the pros who are here to equip participants with a foundational understanding of biostatistics, what a biostatistician</i>

	<i>goals.</i>	<i>needs for a proper consultation, and what it takes to make evidence-based decisions in the field of biostatistics.</i>
11:30am-12:00pm	<p>"Hidden Curriculum of Career Development" Bertha Hidalgo, PhD (UAB) <i>An important phenomenon in today's workforce, open the curtain on Hidden Curriculum's role in career advancement and understand how it can affect career choices, progression, and opportunities.</i></p>	<p>"Multi-Site Clinicals: 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 do and what to avoid while setting foundational expectations to navigate while getting a multi-site clinical trial off the ground.</i></p>
12:00pm-1:30pm Grand Ballroom ABC	<p>Lunch and Keynote Speaker Michelle Kong, MD (UAB)</p>	
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