Did You Know?
NIH policy requires single IRB review for multi-site studies effective Jan. 25, 2018. The policy will apply to NIH-funded studies in which all sites are using the same protocol, and the review will apply to grants, cooperative agreements or contracts submitted to NIH on or after Jan. 25. To better understand the nuances of this policy, check out UAB's Single IRB guidance, which provides a helpful table detailing responsibilities for prime and participating sites, as well as status of reliance agreements and considerations during grant preparation. More

News/Announcements

Feb. CCTS Forum to Explore Low Health Literacy Challenges in Clinical and Translational Research
Health literacy, defined as the ability to understand and use health information and access health care, is critical to good health. Low health literacy contributes to health disparities, reduces participation in clinical trials and research studies, and increases health care costs. Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 14, when we will discuss the latest efforts to address low literacy. More

Register Today for Translational Science 2018
TS18, which takes place April 19-21 in Washington, DC, is just around the corner. Registration is open, with early bird rates still in effect. Don't miss out on this premier scientific event, the ideal place to join your colleagues for the most innovative research, a best-in-class abstract hall, and the chance to meet key thought leaders and influencers in the field. More

Funding Opportunities

Enhance Your Research with a CCTS and/or Radiology Imaging Development Voucher
Do you have specimens that need processing, data that need analyzing, or subjects who require dietary, nursing, or regulatory support? Would your project benefit from molecular, functional or anatomic images? The CCTS and UAB Dept. of Radiology voucher programs offer extra support that may help take your research to the next level. Investigators with a full-time faculty appointment at any CCTS Partner institution are encouraged to apply. Each program offers up to $5,000 in direct costs. More
VA Seeks New Cohort of Health Care Leaders
The VA Quality Scholars Fellowship offers physicians, nurses, and associated health professionals the unique opportunity to improve healthcare quality through innovation, teaching, and research. This advanced program combines a broad curriculum with an individualized approach to meet the needs of each healthcare professional’s interests. Now recruiting for positions starting July 1, 2018, and July 1, 2019. See FAQ and brochure for more information. Letter of Intent due February 1, 2018. More

L’Oréal USA Fellowships for Women in Science
The L’Oréal USA Fellowships for Women in Science program is a national awards program that annually recognizes and rewards five U.S.-based women researchers at the beginning of their scientific careers. Recipients each receive up to $60,000 that must be put towards their postdoctoral research. Applications due February 2, 2018. More

CCTS Launches New Radiology Research Pilot
In collaboration with the UAB Dept. of Radiology and School of Medicine, CCTS is requesting pilot study proposals for research projects requiring animal and/or human imaging on a wide variety of scanning machines. Applicants may request up to $15,000 in direct costs. Early investigators and faculty with previous or active K awards are encouraged to apply. Application due February 16, 2018. More

T1 Translational Research: Novel Interventions for Prevention and Treatment of Age-related Conditions
This R21 translational research funding opportunity on aging is defined as the application of basic and clinical biomedical findings towards the development of new strategies for prevention and treatment of age-related pathologies. Cycle I applications due Feb 17, 2018, by 5pm. More

T2 Translational Research: Research Leading to New Health Care Practices, Community Programs and Policies Affecting Older Persons
This R21 translational research funding opportunity on aging includes, but is not limited to, intervention studies, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, outcomes research and implementation research. Cycle I applications due Feb 17, 2018, by 5pm. More

Mentored Developmental Research Project Awards
UAB’s Sexually Transmitted Infections Cooperative Research Center (STI CRC) awards provide one year of funding to support research projects and career development activities that will enhance the applicant’s ability to compete successfully for an independent R- or K-series award (e.g., acquisition of preliminary data, training in grant preparation). Application due February 18, 2018, by 5pm. More

Centers of Excellence for Translational Research (CETR) (U19 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
This FOA solicits applications to continue the CETR program focused on the development of medical countermeasures and associated platforms/technologies targeting select National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) Emerging Infectious Diseases/Pathogens. Letter of Intent due February
NCATS Collaborative Innovation Award
The Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) hubs promote advances in translational research and training at participating medical research institutions. This U01 funding opportunity will enable innovative collaborations among CTSA hubs to overcome system-wide barriers to translational effectiveness. Application due March 8, 2018, by 5pm.

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 (BERD). No appointment necessary. Bring laptop and study related questions.

January 22 | 10am-2pm | Edge of Chaos | More

CCTS Research Seminar Series
Denise McKenzie will discuss "ClinicalTrials.gov: Results Reporting Workshop." CMEs will be provided for this one hour session. GoToMeeting available.

January 23 | 11am-12:30pm | PCAMS | More

Next 'Critical Conversations' to Explore Community Engagement
How does a community unite its diverse interests around a common purpose and vision and work to make them successful? How does UAB support that? Hear ideas and share yours during a free, public panel discussion.

January 24 | 6-8pm | UAB Heritage Hall Rm 102 | 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.

January 24 | 11:30am-1pm | PCAMS | More

UAB Research Orientation Program
New to research? Need to earn 4 AMA PRA Category 1 credits? Register for this event today! This basic overview of the clinical, regulatory, and financial aspects for conducting a research study is offered every 4th Thursday monthly. Registration required.

January 25 | 8am-12pm | PCAMS | More

Case Studies in Mentoring: Aligning Mentor/Mentee Expectations
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 required.
Upcoming Events

**CCTS Research Seminar Series: Internal Quality Control: Measuring, Assessing and Correcting**  
February 1 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

**Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2**  
Registration required. Attendees encouraged to obtain i2b2 access prior to training.  
February 1 | 1-3pm | LRC 210A | Register

**Case Studies in Mentoring: Assessing Mentee Understanding**  
Registration requested, walk-ins welcome  
Feb. 2 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | Register  
Feb. 5 | 8-9am | PCAMS | Register

**Case Studies in Mentoring: Addressing Equity and Inclusion**  
Registration requested, walk-ins welcome  
Feb. 9 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | Register  
Feb. 12 | 8-9am | PCAMS | Register

**CCTS Research Seminar Series: Business Etiquette: You Will Get There Stronger with the Right Approach**  
February 15 | 12-1pm | PCAMS | GTM available

**11th Annual Boshell Research Day**  
February 16 | 7:30am-6:30pm | Auburn, AL

**NIH Rare Disease Day Twitter Chat**  
February 23 | 12-1pm CT | Twitter | #NIHChat

**Rare Disease Day at NIH**  
March 1 | 8:30m-4pm | NIH | Bethesda, Maryland | #RDDNIH

**5th Annual Rare Disease Genomics Symposium: The Management of Rare Diseases**  
*Registration required*  
March 2-3 | Children's Harbor Building | Bradley Lecture Center

**UAB Health Disparities Research Symposium: Social Determinants of Health from a Global Perspective**  
*Registration required by March 16*  
March 19 | DoubleTree By Hilton UAB | Birmingham, AL

Complete listing of CCTS events