Did You Know?
Two CCTS Partners, UAB and PBRC, are among the seven institutions selected by the NIH as clinical sites for its Molecular Transducers of Physical Activity Consortium (MoTrPAC). The centers will recruit 2700 healthy adults for a national study that will discover and characterize the molecular changes that occur during and after exercise. The goal is to better understand how physical activity improves health and prevents disease in humans. More

News/Announcements

Play and Learn! CCTS Launches Kaizen-based Game to Teach Scientific Reproducibility
To help young investigators meet an impending NIH policy requiring formal training in scientific rigor and reproducibility, CCTS has developed a web-based quiz game based on the Kaizen platform. Open to all investigators across the CCTS Partner Network. All T, K, F awardees encouraged to play. Register by Friday, Jan. 13. Game goes live Monday, Jan.

CCTS Announces New Dates for Community Health Innovation Award (CHIA)
The fifth annual cycle of the CHIA grant, which supports projects that think boldly and creatively about solutions to public health challenges, will open on Jan. 30, 2017! Local community organizations are encouraged to register and plan on attending the mandatory CHIA workshop in early March.

March Seats Filling Fast for Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2!
All January and February sessions are full for our hands-on i2b2 training, cohosted by the UAB Informatics Institute, so register for March 2 or March 21 today. Registration is required. Supervisor approval is required for nonfaculty, and all attendees are strongly encouraged to request i2b2 access prior to their session. Due to high demand, only one session per customer!

Funding Opportunities

NCATS Expands List of High-Priority Translational Research Opportunities
Clinical trials of drugs targeting shared molecular etiologies have been added as a topic of research interest to the CTSA Program Collaborative Innovation Award (CCIA) U01 FOA (PAR-15-172) as of March 9, 2017. More

ILSI North America: Use of Technology to Assess Activity and Dietary Intake Pilot Funding
ILSI will provide up to $50,000 in support of a pilot study on the use of technology to assess activity and dietary intake in underserved or disparate populations. Proposals due March 15, 2017. Email Heather Steele and Courtney McComber for RFP.

Upcoming Events

Informatics Institute Faculty Candidate Seminar
Amy Wang, PhD, Assistant Professor, Northwestern University, will present "Developing and Implementing Health Terminologies: Practical Considerations." Lunch provided.
Jan. 9 | Noon-1 pm | Shelby 515 | Register

Informatics Institute Faculty Candidate Seminar
Irushi Dissanayake, PhD, Clinical Informatics Fellow, University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System Dept. of Pathology, will present "Data Analytics & Clinical Decision Support: Improving Efficiency and Patient Safety." Lunch provided.
Jan. 11 | Noon-1 pm | Shelby 105 | Register

2nd Forum on Community Engaged Scholarship
The University of South Alabama's Center for Healthy Communities will host "Strengthening the Community Engaged Research & Scholarship Tool Box." The forum will feature an interactive poster session.
Jan. 13 | 9am-3 pm | Student Center Ballroom | Register

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.
Jan. 26 | 8:00am-12:00 noon | PCAMS | More

CCTS Regional Community Engagement Forum
Quarterly meeting of the CCTS Community Engagement Consortium. All are welcome, including community members. RSVP to your CCTS CE institutional point of contact.
Jan. 27 | University of Mississippi Medical Center | RSVP

Accessing Clinical Data for Research with i2b2
This hands-on training will help investigators learn how to access de-identified patient data, check study feasibility, develop
hypotheses, and more. **Registration required.** Attendees strongly encouraged to **obtain i2b2 access** prior to training.

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**First Annual Nathan Shock Symposium**  
The UAB Nathan Shock Center is planning its first annual symposium on "The Basic Biology of Aging." **Abstracts accepted until Jan. 27.** Presenters of accepted abstracts will be notified by Feb. 10.

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**ACTS Presents Translational Science 2017**  
Registration for the Association for Clinical and Translational Science (ACTS) annual meeting is now open! Join more than 900 trainees, researchers, and federal program officers to learn the latest science and explore new opportunities for collaboration. **Early bird deadline is Feb. 24.**

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**This is Engagement: Best Practices in Community-Engaged Scholarship**  
Auburn University and the Engagement Scholarship Consortium (Southern Region) will the 18th annual conference. A call for proposals for presentations and posters that inform or advance university-community partnerships is open until **March 15, 2017.** See the [conference website](#) for more information.

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**Complete listing of CCTS events**