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NEWS

Important Information About OnCore Clinical Trial Management System Implementation at UMMS

On October 24th, 2016, the medical school community received information about the implementation of OnCore Clinical Trial Management System at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Please see the attached fact sheet from the CTMS implementation leadership team with additional information about implementation, including project entry guidelines, account requests and calendar build services. We will continue to provide updates to the Medical School community about the OnCore implementation on an ongoing basis.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Pitching to the Media

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Note: This month's column features guest authors, Jennifer Rosinski, UMMS Commonwealth Medicine, and Ellen Moran. Their article originally appeared in the American Evaluation Association's daily email, aea365. It is reprinted here with permission.

We’re Jennifer Rosinski, Senior Media Marketing Manager at UMass Medical School’s Commonwealth Medicine division and Ellen Moran, a contributing writer. Promoting your research, projects, and subject matter knowledge through the media can enhance your professional reputation across and outside of your field. This visibility may increase your chances of winning new grants or clients, or additional dissemination possibilities.

But how do you do it, and do it well? We’re both longtime newspaper journalists who receive "pitches" or story suggestions of all kinds, and use that experience to get the word out about our researchers, evaluators, and content matter experts.

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EVENTS

November 2016 Events
Human Research Protection Program (HRPP)

Upcoming Educational Opportunities

Clinical Research Professionals Group (CRPG) Meetings:

Tuesday, December 13, 2016
11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608, UMMS, Worcester

Friday, January 13, 2017
9:00 - 10:00 am
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Wednesday, February 8, 2017
12:00 - 1:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Thursday, April 13, 2017
2:00 - 3:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Monday, March 5, 2017
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

Monday, June 11, 2017
3:00 - 4:00 pm
Hiatt Auditorium S1-608

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HIPAA and Research Series

Please join us for a series on HIPAA and research with joint presentations from the Privacy Officers, IRB, and IT.

Sign-up for session

Wednesday, November 30, 2016
12:00 - 1:00 pm
Amphitheater I, S2-102, UMMS, Worcester

"HIPAA and Data Storage, Handling and Destruction"

Seal the Deal for your Medical Device: Alternative Funding Streams

Johnson & Johnson Innovation, JLABS wants to introduce you to some of the options when it comes to funding your device, in the hopes that you meet your match and seal the deal.

December 1, 2016
10:00 am
M2D2, 110 Canal Street, 4th floor, Lowell, MA

Program Overview:
What are the options for an early-stage medical device company to secure funding for their innovation? Do you know some of the routes and funding streams, including traditional venture capital, that might be a fit for your company?

Register today!
The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science is pleased to announce a funding call for the UMass Life Sciences Moment Fund (LSMF) 2016. The UMass LSMF supports projects that are inter-campus in orientation and directed towards life sciences projects related to clinical and translational research.

Deadline for letters of intent: November 21, 2016

UMCCTS Pilot Project Program (PPP)  
Call for Letters of Intent

The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS) is announcing the next funding round for the Pilot Project Program (PPP) 2016. The intent of the funding is to speed up the rate of progress to move a research project, clinical finding or other discovery into a broader network of activities, while maximizing the breadth of transdisciplinary skills applied to the research question. We are particularly interested in proposals which feature a clinical scientist working with a basic scientist, proposals with an emphasis on community-based research, and proposals that support the career development of new investigators.

Deadline for letters of intent: November 21, 2016

UMMS Office of Global Health  
Pilot Project Program (OGH-PPP)  
Call for Letters of Intent

The UMMS Office of Global Health announces the 2017 OGH-Pilot Program request for proposals. The key goal of OGH-PPP funding is to catalyze the development of translational research projects that provide a firm scientific basis for clinical practice and public health policy in global settings. The intent of the OGH-PPP is to promote and prioritize for funding projects that are innovative, interdisciplinary, evidence-based, capitalize on University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS) programmatic strengths, and that have the best potential for future growth and external funding.

Deadline for letters of intent: November 21, 2016

Small Conference Grants are Available!

The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science offers Small Conference Grants (SCG) designed to leverage the convening capacity of the UMCCTS to create new, multidisciplinary teams to address a pressing health need. The conference can be a symposium, educational program, seminar, workshop or any other organized and formal meeting. The goal of the SCG is to facilitate networking opportunities between faculty that focus on clinical and translational research.

If you have an idea for an event that a SCG could help fund, visit the UMCCTS website for more information and RFA or contact Nate Hafer, PhD, Director of Operations, UMCCTS.

The Doris Duke Charitable Foundation  
2017 Clinical Scientist Development Award Competition

Pre-proposals are being sought from junior physician-scientist faculty conducting clinical research in any disease area. Competitive applicants are
expected to have research experience and publication records consistent with the rank of assistant professor.

The Clinical Scientist Development Award does not require institutional nomination. This competition employs a two-stage process. Pre-proposals will be reviewed and up to 50 applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal.

Pre-proposals Due: November 29, 2016

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### Antimicrobial Resistance Diagnostic Challenge

Can you help create a diagnostic tool for health care providers to better identify resistant bacterial infections?

The main purpose of the Antimicrobial Resistance Diagnostic Challenge is to incentivize the development of one or more rapid, point-of-care in vitro diagnostic tests that would be of significant clinical and public health utility to combat the development and spread of antibiotic resistant bacteria or diagnostic tests that distinguish between bacterial and viral infections.

$20 million in prize awards

Letters of Intent due December 23, 2016

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### HHMI Launches New Program for Early-Career Scientists

Hanna H. Gray Fellows Program Seeks to Enhance Diversity in Life Sciences

The Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) announces a new program to recruit and retain early-career scientists who are from gender, racial, ethnic, and other groups underrepresented in the life sciences, including those from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Deadline for applications: February 15, 2017

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### Repurposing Research to Improve Patient Outcomes in Huntington’s Disease

This request for proposals is soliciting research proposals to identify repurposed treatments for Huntington’s Disease. We are interested in generic or proprietary drugs, devices and nutriceuticals that could be repurposed to reduce the symptoms, progression and/or incidence of Huntington's Disease, to thereby improve patient outcomes and reduce the suffering caused by this disease.

Deadline for Project Proposal Summary Submissions: February 28, 2017

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### CTSA Collaborative Innovation Awards Update

Notice of Modifications to PAR-15-172 “Collaborative Innovation Award, Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) Program (U01)” to Expand the List of High Priority Translational Research Opportunities on or after March 9, 2017

The purpose of this Notice is to make modifications for PAR-15-172 and subsequent due dates, and expand the list of high priority translational research opportunities to novel clinical trials of drugs that target shared molecular etiologies underlying multiple diseases.
NIH Peer Review Online Briefings for Fellowship and R01 Grant Applicants and Basic Research Grant Applicants and Reviewers (NOT-OD-16-152)

The purpose of this Notice is to inform NIH grant applicants, their mentors, and reviewers about three online video briefings the NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) will host in November and December 2016. CSR is the portal for NIH grant applications and their review for scientific and technical merit.

Each Briefing Will Have a Different Focus

Fellowship and R01 grant applicants: The first two briefings will provide these applicants key information that could help them better navigate the NIH peer review process.

Basic research grant applicants and reviewers: The third briefing will reaffirm NIH's commitment to basic research and help applicants and reviewers better do their part in proposing and reviewing basic research.

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All of the briefings will run from 2:00 to about 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, including a 30 minute Q&A period.

Please remember to cite the CTSA Grant # UL1-TR001453 in all supported journal publications.

The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS) was founded in 2006 to enhance clinical and translational research across the five University of Massachusetts campuses and our clinical partner, UMass Memorial Health Care. With the receipt of an NIH Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) in 2010, and its successful renewal in 2015, the UMCCTS joined a network of 62 NIH-funded centers collaborating to transform the conduct of clinical and translational research across the U.S. Other key partners include our patients and communities, foundations, biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, and members of the venture capital and philanthropic communities.

We encourage you to browse through our website to learn more about how the UMCCTS catalyzes clinical and translational research through education and training, pilot funding programs, cores, services and collaboration.