The CCTST announces the next competition cycle for its “T1” grant program. “T1” Grants Available for Clinical and Translational Research

Letters of Intent (LOI) must be received before midnight Wednesday, October 3, 2012. Additional information about the T1 Pilot Grant Program can be found here.

The 3rd Conference on Clinical Research for Rare Diseases will be held Tuesday, October 9 and Wednesday, October 10, 2012, at the 1919 Hotel in Columbus, OH. A limited number of travel awards of up to $750 will be available for attendees from outside the state of Ohio. Registration is not required. A podcast of the presentation will be available at http://molgen.uc.edu. For more information, email rare@uc.edu.

CCTST Grand Rounds on Friday, September 21 from 12-1 PM in Room 4051 of the UC Medical Sciences Building will feature Dr. Robert Aronson, the Carolyn and Matthew Bucksbaum professor of clinical ethics. He will present a program titled “THE ETHICS OF MEDICAL RESEARCH: A ROADMAP TO HUMAN SUBJECT PROTECTION.”

Other Grand Rounds include: An Ethics Roadmap to Translational Research on September 21, 2012, presented by Dr. Robert Aronson; and a special seminar for graduate students on Thursday, September 20 on The Pursuit of Hope and Dignity: Why Every Link in the Translational Research Chain Matters presented by Dr. Richard Rieveschl. The Grand Rounds are free and open to the public. CME is offered. Lunch is provided. RSVP to ccgrandrunds@uc.edu to ensure lunch attendance.

Ohio CTSAs Form Statewide Research Collaboration

The University of Cincinnati and its Academic Health Center, Cincinnati VA Medical Center, and Children’s Hospital of Michigan have established a statewide collaborative agreement allowing a single organization’s Institutional Review Board (IRB) to assume IRB responsibility for research conducted by investigators affiliated with any of the institutions.

This collaborative effort allows an additional organization’s IRB to assume IRB responsibility when none is available within the participating institutions. The collaborative agreement is intended to help reduce the number of duplicative review processes within the participating institutions. It also allows the organization’s IRB to assume IRB responsibility for research conducted by investigators affiliated with any of the institutions.

Ohio CTSAs’ IRB collaboration allows investigators conducting research activities at the UC Academic Health Center, Cincinnati VA Medical Center, or Children’s Hospital of Michigan to use the same IRB to review research projects, regardless of the investigator’s institutional affiliation.

With this collaborative effort, investigators can continue to conduct research across the state while maintaining the same IRB review processes, which may help reduce costs. The tracking and coordination of research efforts across the state can also be simplified.

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