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CCTST Grand Rounds July 18



Marilyn Schapira, MD

Please join us for the next CCTST Grand Rounds, Friday, July 18 from 12-1 PM in Room 3351 of the UC Medical Sciences Building (MSB). Featured speaker is **Marilyn M. Schapira, MD, MPH**, co-director, Cancer Control and Outcomes Program, Abramson Cancer Center, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. She will discuss *Communicating Scientific Evidence to Patients: Should Strategies be Tailored to Level of Health Numeracy?*

Her talk will address:

- The levels of scientific literacy and health numeracy in the general public and clinic populations, and the relevant sources of this information
- The theoretical foundation and evidence base for tailoring communication strategies to the level of health numeracy
- How a Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) can be used to support tailored communication strategies in the setting of a medical consultation

Lunch is available to [CCTST members](#) who email [Sandy Geideman](#) by July 16. CME credit is available. For more information, see the [event flyer](#) or visit the [CCTST website](#).

From 2-3 PM, Dr. Schapira will also be the featured presenter at a special meeting of the Cincinnati Center for Clinical Effectiveness and Patient-Centered Research. See details at right.

CCTST Letter of Intent Workshop July 25



For many biomedical grant competitions, completion of a letter of intent (LOI) that determines whether you submit a full length proposal is the first step of the application process. What should it include? How should it be organized? Learn how to improve your chances for grant success at the CCTST's **How to Write a Letter of Intent Workshop**, Friday, July 25 from 10-11 AM in Room E-351 of the UC Medical Sciences Building (MSB, entrance level).

Offered for the first time and open to all faculty, the session will be led by Bruce Trapnell, MD and Frank McCormack, MD, co-directors of the CCTST Pilot & Collaborative Translational & Clinical Studies core.

Registration is not required. Please email [Beth Hezlep](#) or call (513) 803-7039 if you have questions.

Design Thinking LOI Due August 1



The CCTST and Live Well Collaborative (LWC) have joined forces to offer the Design Thinking Research Awards. Established by UC and Procter & Gamble (P&G) in 2007, the non-profit LWC specializes in research and development of products and services for Living Well across the lifespan. It is built around the open innovation model for moving translational research into the marketplace.

This grant opportunity provides partial support for a studio project. The investigator identifies a healthcare challenge and the LWC works with UC to form a design lead multidisciplinary team (from faculty and students). The team will utilize design thinking tools and a "co-invention" model with stakeholders (e.g. patients) to develop products or services with a focus on innovation to address the healthcare challenge. The Collaborative has a track record of completing more than 40 studio projects that have involved over 500 students and more than 40 faculty members from UC.

The maximum allowable grant is \$10,000 in support for a 14-week project costing from \$29,000-\$78,000, depending on staffing levels of faculty, graduate, and co-op students and supplies needed to complete deliverables. The applicant's department/division or grant funds from another source must be used to cover the remaining costs.

The principal investigator (PI) must be a Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC) faculty member. Clusters of investigators spanning disciplines, programs and institutions are strongly encouraged. Faculty based at UC or the Cincinnati VA Medical Center are encouraged to collaborate with CCHMC investigators. [CCTST membership](#) (free of charge) is required.

The next Letter of Intent (LOI) deadline is Friday, August 1 by 5 PM. Invited final applications are due September 5. Complete details and application instructions [are here](#).

UC Informed Consent Adding HIPAA Authorization



The UC Institutional Review Board (IRB) will release a revised Medical Informed Consent Document (ICD) template in August, which includes language that satisfies the standards of the HIPAA Privacy Rule for individual authorization to use and disclose protected health information (PHI) for research purposes.

Investigators will use the combined ICD to obtain informed consent and individual authorization from participants in studies conducted through UC Health that may obtain, create, use, and/or disclose PHI. This combined ICD will eliminate the need for a stand-alone HIPAA authorization form, reducing the administrative burden for participants and research staff. The combined ICD may not be used for studies conducted at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center.

For more information, please contact [Angela Braggs-Brown](#) of the UC Office of Research Integrity.

New Comparative Effectiveness and Outcomes Research Pilot Grants Offered



The advent of healthcare reform has been accompanied by several new approaches to healthcare research, among them comparative effectiveness research (CER) and patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR). To spur the growth of CER and PCOR at UC, the offices of the Vice President for Research, UC Health, the Dean of the College of Medicine and the Dean of the College of Nursing, in association with the CCTST, are making available \$100,000 for pilot projects. Up to 5 grants of up to \$20,000 each will be awarded.

The principal investigator must hold a full-time (≥0.8 FTE) faculty appointment within UC and submit any resulting applications through UC. Collaborations between colleges and with faculty based at CCHMC or the VAMC are strongly encouraged. Projects must focus on improving healthcare systems or on health disparities, 2 of the 4 priority areas identified by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), the main funding source for CER and PCOR. Healthcare systems research must be relevant to UC Health. All proposals must include participant or community stakeholders in project design, or use this funding opportunity as a means to engage stakeholders in the design of subsequent extramural grant proposals.

Priority will be given to projects that demonstrate a clear pathway to future competitive extramural funding. Collaborations across disciplines and research domains are strongly encouraged. A letter of intent is not required. **Full applications must be received no later than 5pm September 1, 2014.** For more information, see the [request for applications](#) or contact [Debbie Lueders](#).

SAVE THE DATE: 2015 Genomics and Ethics Conference, March 12-13



Gail Jarvik, MD, PhD

The March 12-13, 2015 conference **Genomics and Ethics in Research and Medical Decision-making** will feature empirical and conceptual investigation into the ethical aspects of genomics and genomics in diverse research, community, and clinical domains in biomedicine.

To be held at the UC Kingsgate Marriott Conference Center, the event will provide a forum for discussing the intersection of genetics/genomics and ethics, including community engagement, return of research and clinical results, the commercialization of genomics research, consent in research and clinical settings, and genomics in mental health research and treatment. Keynote speakers include [Gail Jarvik, MD, PhD](#), head of the division of medical genetics at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Co-sponsors include the CCTST, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and CCHMC Ethics Center. A Call for Abstracts will be announced soon. Information on our 2013 conference **Empirical Bioethics: Emerging Trends for the 21st Century** is [available here](#).

Need assistance with your clinical/translational research project? [CCTST membership](#) (free of charge) is required for service. We now have over **2,680** members (and counting!).

Already a member? Please [log in from our home page](#) and click "Request Assistance with Your Research Project." The CCTST provides up to 10 hours of support per investigator per grant year (April 1-March 31), funded by the CTSA grant; 1 Research Central hour equals 1 hour of doctoral-level methodologic support or 2 hours of master's-level support. Additional hours, if needed, are billed at established rates.

What does the CCTST do?

Established in 2005, the CCTST provides guidance, information, support, resources and training to researchers across and beyond the Academic Health Center, with the support of an NIH Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA). Whether you're at UC, Cincinnati Children's, the Cincinnati VA Medical Center, UC Medical Center, or in the Greater Cincinnati community, we're here to help.

Can't find what you're looking for? [Contact us](#) or [visit our website](#).

Calendar of Events click links for details

July 18, 12-1 PM: CCTST Grand Rounds. *Communicating Scientific Evidence to Patients: Should Strategies be Tailored to Level of Health Numeracy?* **Marilyn Schapira, MD, MPH**, University of Pennsylvania. 3351 UC MSB. See article at left.

July 18, 2-3 PM: Cincinnati Center for Clinical Effectiveness and Patient-Centered Research special meeting. *Methods of Preference Assessment and its Role in Supporting Shared Decision-making.* **Marilyn Schapira, MD, MPH**. 2108 Stetson Bldg.

July 25, 10-11 AM: CCTST How to Write a Letter of Intent Workshop. E-351 UC MSB. See story at left.

Aug. 1, 8 AM-3 PM: UC Sports Neuroscience Initiative conference. Research teams presenting at the event are encouraged to form multidisciplinary, cross-campus collaborations eligible for **Sports Health Innovation Awards**. Contact [Kim Hasselfeld](#) for reservations or questions. 3351 UC MSB.

Aug. 5, 11:30 AM-1 PM: Technology Commercialization Workshop Series (session 3 of 3). *Putting Your Idea on Path to Commercialization.* Lucas Board Room, E-005h UC MSB.

Sept. 12, 8 AM-1 PM: 2nd Annual Mentorship Symposium. Sponsored by the CCHMC Office for Faculty Development, Center for Professional Excellence, UC Colleges of Medicine and Nursing, and CCTST. CCHMC Location S, 1.204.

Sept. 12, all day: 16th Annual Human Subject Protection Conference, Don't Stop Believin'. Sponsored by Schulman Associates IRB, UC, UK, and CCHMC. N. Ky. Convention Center, Covington. **Registration now open!**

Oct. 16, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM: CCHMC Shared Facilities Day. Discover what CCHMC shared facilities can do for your research. Loc. S, 1.203-204.

Questions or comments? [Contact us.](#)

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