



January 11, 2021

**Greetings in the New Year.** I hope this issue of the CCTS Digest finds you and yours healthy and happy. As we embark upon another year, I'd like to share my deep appreciation for our community, for people like you and many others who together represent the spirit of care and collaboration that is the CCTS. Our mission is made meaningful through the work of so many coming together to improve human health in our region. And a global pandemic hasn't halted our efforts.



Many have expressed their desire to leave 2020 far behind us, and while I do look forward to better things ahead, we have much to celebrate. This past year has catapulted us all through uncertainties and adversity, and yet together we accomplished a great many things. Beginning next week and over the next several weeks, we will share a few of those achievements. Although our vignettes will represent only a small glimpse of 2020's efforts, we hope you enjoy reading highlights of work completed by so many, across each [domain](#) of the CCTS.

I am looking forward to continuing our positive trajectory in 2021. As always, do [reach out](#) if there is any support the CCTS may be able to offer you in the new year.

**Sincerely,**  
**Robert P. Kimberly, MD, Director, CCTS**



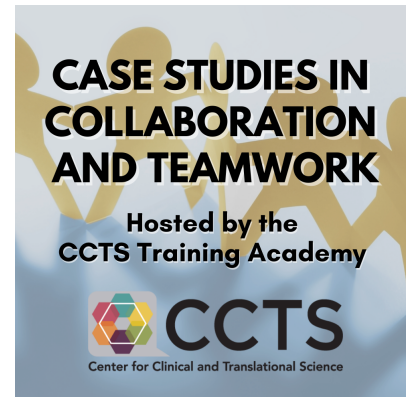
### CCTS Welcomes New CTSTP Cohort

The Clinical and Translational Science Training Program kicked off last week with a diverse cohort of 29 participants across disciplines.

[Get to Know the Cohort.](#)

### Register for Case Studies in Collaboration & Teamwork

This 8-week, case-based curriculum aims to help scientists learn the basics of team science and collaboration, and how to navigate the challenges of working in interdisciplinary teams. Presenter Joel Dobbs, PharmD, says, "Teamwork and collaboration are skills that are universally recognized across almost every industry and discipline as essential tools for success in today's world. Interdisciplinary teams are becoming more critical for success in scientific discovery and translational research."



Sessions are Fridays throughout February and March. [Learn more and register.](#)

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

### VA Quality Scholars Fellowship in Quality and Safety

---

Post-doctoral nurses, pharmacists, and physicians who are interested in healthcare improvement are encouraged to apply. Application deadline is Feb 1, 2021.

[Learn More and Apply.](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Available Weekly

Drop-In Clinic: Biostats, Epidemiology,  
& Research Design (BERD)

---

Prepare your study-related questions for this online opportunity. By appointment only.

[Email for Details](#)

### Jan. 15 | 8-9:30am

Friday Fellows

---

An opportunity for T32 pre and post docs, investigators, and others interested in population and health outcomes research to discuss research methods, career development, and works in progress.

[Sign Up](#) | [Add to Calendar](#)

### Jan. 15 | 12-1pm

TIERS: Goal Setting

---

*Presented by Jean Ann Larson, EdD.*  
TIERS is a monthly event focused on career planning and development.

[Register](#) | [Add to Calendar](#)

### Jan. 21 | 12-1pm

UAB Diabetes Plenary Lecture Series

---

*"Focus on Gut-Brain-Metabolism"*  
presented by James A. Bibb, PhD, and J. Andrew Hardaway, PhD.

[Join via Zoom](#)

[Full Events Calendar](#)



**Learn on your own schedule, with the CCTS Video Channel**

This week we're highlighting Joel Dobbs' presentation, "**An Introduction to Teams, Teamwork, and Team Science.**"

Click here to view this presentation, or search "Joel Dobbs" on the video channel for additional team-related topics.

Want to nominate someone for the CCTS Spotlight? [Email ccts@uab.edu!](mailto:ccts@uab.edu)

[ccts@uab.edu](mailto:ccts@uab.edu)

205-934-7442



[CITE THE CCTS](#) | [ABOUT](#) | [REQUEST PUBLICITY](#)

**Center for Clinical and Translational Science**  
Pittman Center for Advanced Medical Studies (PCAMS)  
1924 Seventh Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35294