



Center for Clinical and Translational Science

CCTS DIGEST

Latest news and upcoming events for the CCTS Partner Network

August 29, 2022



Can't-Miss Speaker Lineup for 2022 CCTS Translational Training Symposium

The CCTS is honored to welcome an incredible roster of presenters to join us at the Training Symposium. Don't miss the opportunity to learn from and connect with these experts and colleagues from across the CCTS Partner Network. Start planning your itinerary by [reviewing the agenda](#), which contains a detailed overview of the topics being covered. **We hope to see you, September 14-16 in Mobile, Alabama!**

Register today.



Meet the Panelists for Tomorrow's Conversation on LGBTQ Health Equity

Tune in tomorrow for CEI Perspectives, from 10am to noon via zoom. Panelists representing local organizations and UAB will lead discussion on how we can partner in research and educational outreach toward solutions to the health disparities that occur based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

Moderator & Panelists:

Sarah MacCarthy, PhD

Magic City LGBTQ Health Studies Endowed Professor, UAB School of Public Health

Jean Hernández, MA

Latinx Program Coordinator, AIDS ALABAMA

Austin H. Johnson, PhD (he/him/his)
Director, Southern Equality Research and Policy Center

Morissa Ladinsky, MD
Associate Professor & Multidisciplinary Gender Health Team, UAB Department of Pediatrics

Karen Musgrove, PhD
CEO, Birmingham AIDS Outreach

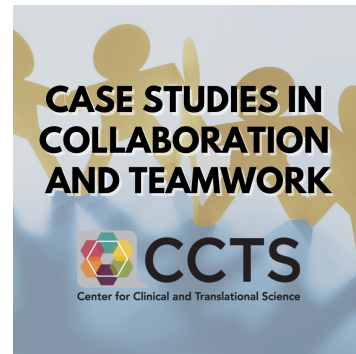
Bridge Hill Kennedy, PhD
Associate Professor, UAB Department of Psychology
Director, Online Undergraduate Program Research Concentration: Human Sexuality, LGBTQ+ Rights, Social Psychology, Human Development, and Gender Issues

Mauda Monger, PhD
COO, My Brother's Keeper

Register for CEI Perspectives

Register for Case Studies in Collaboration & Teamwork

This 8-week, case-based curriculum, open to individuals and teams, aims to help scientists learn the basics of team science and collaboration, along with how to navigate the challenges of working in interdisciplinary teams. Instructor 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 from 10-11am, beginning on September 30th.



[Learn more and register.](#)



2022 UAB Health Disparities Research Symposium

The UAB Minority Health & Health Disparities Research Center presents **Moving from Health Disparities to Health Equity: Turning Vision into Reality**, on September 8th from noon-1:30 pm. Speakers Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable, MD, Marcella Nunez-Smith, MD, MHS, and George A. Mensah, MD, will share insights and practical steps to achieving health equity.

[Learn more and register.](#)

FEEDBACK REQUESTED

Do you have an interest in a humanized mouse core at the CCTS Hub (UAB)? **Please take a moment to share your input [here](#).** If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to Dr. Masakazu Kamata at masa3k@uab.edu.

CCTS IN THE NEWS

The CCTS is delighted to acknowledge and celebrate the steady stream of news about the outstanding accomplishments of our CCTS members.

Suzanne Oparil, MD, is the 2022 American Heart Association Distinguished Scientist Lecturer. Dr. Oparil is a CCTS Senior Scientist.

Jamil Saad, PhD, was named winner of the UAB Heersink School of Medicine Featured Discovery Award. Dr. Saad is a CCTS Associate Scientist.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Available Weekly

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

Prepare your study-related questions for this online or in-person opportunity. In-person clinics are Wednesdays from 11:30-1:00 & Fridays from 8:30-11:30 in SHEL 120.
[Email to Schedule a Virtual Session](#)

August 30 | 11am-1pm OnCore Q&A Session

Do you have a question or concern about OnCore? Join OnCore staff for a drop-in session to have any and all questions addressed.
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September 1 | 12-1pm Research Seminar Series: Navigating the Clinical Trials Kiosk

RSS fills any information gaps related to the implementation of clinical trials.
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September 2 | 10-11am Informatics Institute Powertalk Seminar Series

"Translational Artificial Intelligence (AI): The Need to Translate from Basic Science to Clinical Value" presented by William Hersh, MD.
[Register](#) | [Add to Calendar](#)

August 30 | 10am-12pm

CEI Perspectives: A Conversation on LGBTQ Health Equity

This virtual event features a panel of experts leading discussions around this critical issue with aims to explore ways to partner in research and in educational outreach toward solutions.
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September 1 | 11am-1pm OIRB Office Hours

An opportunity for anyone and everyone in the research community to have direct access to an experienced OIRB staff member.
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September 2 | 8-9am Friday Fellows

"Generating Your Research Question(s)" presented by Andrea Cherrington, MD.
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Get to Know Your CCTS

THIS WEEK, MEET HELEN ZHAI, PHD
STATISTICIAN II, CCTS BERD UNIT



1 What is the last movie you saw and loved?

Top Gun: Maverick

2 If you could take anyone to lunch, who would it be and why?

Jennifer Lopez. I love her movies.

3 What's your dream vacation or the best vacation you've ever taken?

My son, a senior at Hoover High School, and I visited London and Paris this June. It was our first time to be there. They are so different from American cities: the architecture, museums, palaces, long history, the Royal family, large city parks, luxury brand stores and wealthy shoppers from around the world...This trip helped me to better understand America, where "all men are created equal."

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