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UMASS CCTS NEWSLETTER



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Undergraduate Summer Clinical Research Internship

Now in its third year, this program has accepted students from all UMass campuses around the Commonwealth. Undergraduate interns gain an understanding of the array of career opportunities available as well as a holistic understanding of the field of clinical research.

The photo below was taken on August 2nd at the culmination of the 10-week program where the interns presented details of their training.



Pictured above from L-R: Top row students are Mirabella Paolucci, Evelyne Nibitanga, Claire Schwartz, and John Ferreira. Middle row students are Annabell Victor, Stephanie Benavides, and Basim Naeem. Bottom row students are Kim Nguyen, Mayank Amrohi, Makenna Sheehan and Brianna Bergin. Unavailable for photo: Angeli Franz and Rochell Luciano.

[Learn More
Here](#)

Catalyze Your Research

A "Did You Know?" Series

This month's focus is on the Office of Clinical Research (OCR)

The OCR provides clinical research education & training, budget development, contract negotiation, Medicare coverage analysis, financial management, and related services to advance the quality and efficiency of translational science and clinical transition research. Budget, contracting and coverage analysis staff are centralized in the UMCCTS to save time for investigators.

The OCR works closely with the Office of Technology Management to coordinate matters related to intellectual property, licensing, and the Compliance Team to manage potential conflicts of interest, and sponsor compliance.

Services offered by the OCR:

- Orientation to Clinical Research at UMass Chan
- Introduction Research Coordinator Training Course
- Intermediate Research Coordinator Training Course
- Advanced Coordinator Training
- Phlebotomy

Click here for [details](#)

Additionally, the OCR offers consultations to assist with numerous aspects of research requirements:

- The IRB offers virtual office hours via Zoom. Consults are available for 1.5 hours per day, five days a week. The IRB staff will answer questions regarding the research management system eIRB system as well as other more general IRB related questions
- Navigator consults are available through online booking
- TRAcS Office Hours are offered two days a week

Visit the OCR Website

EVENTS

**Join this Live Consultation on Advancing
Implementation Science Research
September 27, from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Tufts Clinical and Translational Science Institute

TUFTS CTSI D&I INTEREST GROUP (DIIG)

Live Consultation on Advancing Your Implementation Science Research

In this live consultation, Dr. LeClair will present her aims for an upcoming implementation science project and receive feedback from our expert panel. The consultation is open to the wider D&I community and there will be time for feedback from other participants.

Dr. LeClair's work focuses on using mixed methods to advance health services research with minoritized populations. She is a past K scholar looking to apply for her first round of R01 funding. She is looking to expand the collection of sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) data across the medical center and create a body of work looking at disparities in care.



**Amy LeClair, PhD,
MPhil**

Assistant Professor, Tufts
University, School of Medicine

Expert Panel



Rachel Gold, PhD, MPH

Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Research,
OCHIN,
Tufts CTSI D&I Core

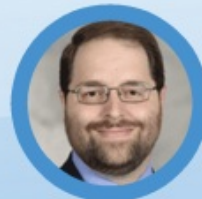
Dr. Gold is an implementation scientist who uses health information technology to improve care quality and reduce disparities in community health centers.



September 27, 2024
11:00AM-12:00PM EST



Via Zoom



Randall W. Grout, MD, MS, FAAP

Indiana University, School of Medicine,
Regenstrief Institute

Dr. Grout is a pediatrician, health services and informatics researcher, and clinical research informatician.



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Register in advance for this
[meeting:https://wellforce.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcpf-6spjlrEtZYL96NRh5Ac9sVRAFpxvTG](https://wellforce.zoom.us/j/65281221221)

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7th Stepping Strong Trauma Annual Research and Innovation Symposium

November 14, 3:00-6:30 pm
Brigham and Women's Hospital and Virtual

 Brigham and Women's Hospital
Founding Member, Mass General Brigham

 10 YEARS
The Gillian Remy
STEPPING STRONG
Center for Trauma Innovation

Join us in person or virtually for the 7th Annual Stepping Strong Trauma Research and Innovation Symposium. Transforming Trauma Care: Paving the Road Ahead, focuses on the future of trauma care through each stage of prevention, treatment and recovery. All are welcome to attend, with special encouragement for researchers and clinical leaders from fields such as trauma, emergency medicine, reconstruction, plastic and orthopaedic surgery, vascular, bioengineering, injury prevention, basic science, public health, policy, and community-based organizations.

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FUNDING

PAR-24-273:

Advancing Healthcare for Older Adults from Populations that Experience Health Disparities

Posted Date: August 27, 2024

Closing Date for Applications: February 5, 2025 and cycles through October, 2027

This initiative seeks to advance the science and implementation of innovative multi-level health care research for older adults from populations that experience health disparities. The initiative will support research designed to (1) gain a better understanding of appropriate screening, diagnostic, and clinical care guidelines in a primary care setting, (2) explore shared decision-making that is needed to enhance care planning and patient agency between clinicians and care teams with the older adult and their caregiver(s), and (3) identify effective strategies for care coordination.

- women in datasets).

[More Info](#)

RFA-CE-25-025:

Rigorous Evaluation of Community- and Societal-Level Primary Prevention Approaches to Prevent Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs): Expanding the Best Available Evidence

Posted Date: August 29, 2024

Application Due Date: December 2, 2024

The purpose of this research announcement is to support investigator-initiated research to rigorously evaluate policies and programs for the primary prevention of ACEs. In alignment with NCIPC's ACEs Research Priorities, projects are expected to evaluate prevention approaches at the community- or societal-level that address social and health inequities that place some populations at greater risk for ACEs.

[MORE INFO](#)

NOT-NS-24-014:

Notice of Intent to Publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for Blueprint Neurotherapeutics Network (BPN): Biologic-based Drug Discovery and Development for Disorders of the Nervous System

(UG3/UH3 Clinical Trial Optional)

Forecasted Date: August 26, 2024

Estimated Post Date: October 1, 2024

Estimated Application Due Date: January 27, 2025

The NIH announces its intention to reissue PAR-21-163 to solicit applications from researchers developing diverse biotherapeutic modalities including but not limited to antibodies, peptides, proteins, oligonucleotides, gene therapies, cell therapies, and other emerging therapeutic modalities for the treatment of nervous system and neuromuscular disorders.

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NOT-LM-24-003:

Notice of Intent to Publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for Computational Approaches to Curation at Scale for Biomedical Research Assets

(Intended reissue of PAR-20-304 - R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

Forecasted Date: August 26, 2024

Estimated Post Date: October 15, 2024

Estimated Application Due Date: February 5, 2025

NLM wishes to accelerate access to, and availability of, secure, complete datasets and computational models that can serve as the basis for transformative biomedical discoveries. Innovative at-scale computational approaches that increase the speed and scope of curation processes are needed for data mining and knowledge discovery from growing quantities of biomedical data produced from ongoing data science advances.

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EDUCATION & TRAINING

I-Corps @ NCATS Regional Short Course

Register for the upcoming I-Corps Program

Does your latest discovery have commercial value?
Would a potential "customer" of your research welcome
your technology, protocol, or intervention?

The I-Corps Program at the UMCCTS, a UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS) initiative, is designed to support the translation of biomedical research by providing early-stage education and strategic guidance to faculty, staff and students during the ideation phase of technology development.

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Orientation to Clinical Research at UMass Chan

The CCTS Office of Clinical Research (OCR)
continues to host in-person sessions on a monthly basis.
(Registration required)

These sessions provide a high-level overview of the resources and systems that are in use and available at UMass Chan, as well guidance related to account access and other institutional policies around the conduct of clinical research. Further, these sessions will also provide an opportunity to meet some of the OCR staff, learn where the OCR and IRB are physically located, as well as to meet colleagues from other departments who are also engaged in clinical research.

UPCOMING DATES: Sept. 5, 2024 and Oct. 3, 2024 2:00 PM

MORE INFO

**Please note: You will need to log in with UMass Chan credentials in order to register. Otherwise, please email OCR staff members Ann Han (ann.han@umassmed.edu) and Eric Stratton (eric.stratton@umassmed.edu) to be manually added to an orientation session.*

Registration is Required

Seating is limited to 20 individuals per session, so we kindly ask that you register for this session.

REGISTER
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K Award Research Writing Group

Next Meetings

Wednesday, September 11th & 25th, 2024~ 4:00-5:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom

The K Award Writing Group supports junior faculty in the development of K-level “Mentored Research Scientist Career Development Award” applications. According to NIH, the award is intended to provide either progressive training or further experience in research related to biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences. The mentored approach

provides the knowledge required for the K-Awardee to progress into an independent researcher over the award period.

K Award Group meets bi-weekly on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 4-5 pm via Zoom. Attendance at K Award Group meetings can be for information purposes and/or for review of your application. The group meets to outline the K-Award writing process and to review material being submitted by/to the group for input.

To register to attend the K Award Group, please email Robyn.Leonard@umassmed.edu.

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R Club Research Writing Group

Next Meetings
Tuesday, September 3rd & 17th, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM -12:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom

Are you an early-stage investigator looking to write your first R21 or R01? Would you like input and feedback on your proposal from experienced faculty who have been there before?

The UMCCTS is pleased to offer the R Club, a peer group that meets twice a month to review and plan for successful R-level grant submissions. Interested? Please email nathaniel.hafer@umassmed.edu to be added to our mailing list.

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

<https://umassmed.zoom.us/j/5682209338?pwd=dHRmWnBnWHBZZ1I0c3B4M05Pc3BTdz09>
Password: 809084

Zoom Link

Join Us! Clinical Research Professionals Group (CRPG) Meetings

- Want to know/stay up-to-date about changes to regulations, research systems, and research related institutional policies around the campus?
- Want to learn about the various core services that can assist you and your department in your projects and trials?
- Interested in educational resources, trainings, and professional certifications?

Join us for the monthly Clinical Research Professionals Group (CRPG) meetings to hear about these topics and more! More info, meeting schedule, and past meetings can be

**Submit a TRACs Request
Here**

SHARE YOUR SUCCESS STORY!

Have you had your research published that cites the UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science? Has your patent been filed on technology developed using Center funding or resources? Did your pilot project receive external grant funding? Share it with us at ccts@umassmed.edu. Sharing your success demonstrates the importance and effect of the Center for Clinical and Translational Science at UMass.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

To be included in the CCTS Monthly Newsletter, please send announcements, including a link, to ccts@umassmed.edu. The newsletter is published the first week of each month.



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