

December 2013 e-Newsletter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“Physician Scientist Training Program Applications Due December 20th”

- The applications for the Physician Scientist Training Program (PSTP) for 2014 funding are due December 20, 2013. This highly competitive award provides funding to current NYU residents or fellows for one year of basic and/or translational research. It is designed to help highly qualified young clinicians become successful physician-scientists. Often, the research year serves as a bridge between the end of clinical training and appointment as junior faculty. At least 90% of a candidate's time must be devoted to research during the PSTP year. In recent years, 4-5 positions have been funded per year. To apply or find out more information, please click on the following link: [PSTP](#)

“Upcoming BMI Faculty Seminar: December 10, 2013”

- The next Biomedical Informatics Faculty Seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10, 2013 from 12:30 to 1:30pm in the Skirball 3rd Floor Seminar Room. Speaker Stuart Brown, Director of CHIBI's Sequencing Informatics Group, will be presenting on *Whole Genome Sequence Comparisons Between Microbial Strains*. To learn more about this event, please click on the following link: [BMI Seminar](#)

“Ion Channels & Transporters Interest Group Seminar: December 11, 2013”

- The December seminar is co-hosted by Cardiology and the Ion Channels & Transporters Team Science Group, and will be held on Wednesday, December 11th, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm, in the Skirball 4th Floor Seminar Room. Dr. George Holz from SUNY Upstate will be giving a talk on *GPCRs, cAMP Sensors, and Islet Insulin Secretion*. To RSVP and learn more about this event, please contact: [Rosa Hsieh](#)

RECENT CTSI NEWS & HIGHLIGHTS

“Annual CTSI External Advisory Board (EAB) Meeting Update”

- The CTSI is pleased to announce that it had another highly successful annual EAB meeting last month. The advisory board was very impressed with the CTSI's accomplishments so far and made minor recommendations for the future. The CTSI leadership team would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Program Directors, Managers and Coordinators for all their hard work and cooperation.

“NYU Prevention Research Center Receives CBPR Best Practice Award”

- The CTSI congratulates the [NYU Prevention Research Center \(PRC\)](#) on receiving the Community-based Participatory Research (CBPR) Best Practice Award from the National Community Committee of the CDC's Prevention Research Center Program. The [National Community Committee](#) is one of seven national committees that guides the PRC program and serves to facilitate education, training, and resource sharing to encourage and enhance community members' participation in research. The NYU PRC is a close collaborator of the CTSI's Community Engagement and Population Health Research Core (CEPHR), and partners on several leveraged activities including the [Community Empowered Research Training](#) program.

“Dr. Ruth Browne Receives 2013 Lewis & Jack Rudin New York Prize for Medicine and Health”

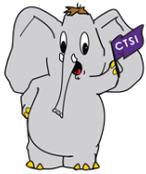
- We are pleased to announce that the Chair of the CTSI Community Advisory Board, Dr. Ruth Browne, will be receiving the 2013 Lewis and Jack Rudin New York Prize for Medicine and Health. She will be honored at the New York Academy of Medicine on Wednesday December 11th starting at 5:30 PM. The prize honors clinicians, health care administrators, or health policy/health services researchers

from New York City metropolitan area institutions whose work has made important contributions to demonstrating how the health care delivery system can work effectively with partners in public health and the community to address issues associated with prevention, healthy community options, and policies that support investment and change in determinants of health.

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

CTSI Services

- The CTSI offers a range of services which include but are not limited to Research Studios, Consultations in Biostatistics and Study Design, Biomendical/Clinical Research Informatics, Clinical Research Resources, Research Subject Safety Consultation and more. To learn more about the services we provide, please visit the [CTSI website](#). If you are interested in applying for any of our services please complete the [Service Request Form](#)



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“Ion Channels & Transporters Interest Group Seminar: November 6, 2013”

- The November seminar is co-hosted by Cardiology and the Ion Channels & Transporters Team Science Group, and will be held on Wednesday, November 6th, from 2:00 to 3:00 pm, in the Skirball 4th Floor Seminar Room. Dr. Charles Antzelevitch from the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory in Utica, NY will be giving a talk on *J Wave Syndrome as a Cause of Sudden Cardiac Death*. To RSVP and learn more about this event, please contact: [Rosa Hsieh](#)

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“Dr. Bruce Cronstein, CTSI Co-Director, Receives the 2013 Lee C. Howley Sr. Prize for Arthritis Research”

- The CTSI is proud to announce that Dr. Bruce Cronstein, the Principal Investigator of the CTSA and Co-Director of the CTSI, was awarded the 2013 Lee C. Howley Sr. Prize for Arthritis Research from the Arthritis Foundation. The award is given to those researchers, whose contributions during the previous five years have represented a significant advancement in understanding, treating or preventing arthritis and rheumatic diseases.

“Dr. Michael Pillinger Receives the 2013 Distinguished Fellowship Program Director Award”

- The CTSI is proud to announce that Dr. Michael Pillinger, the Program Director of TREC, was awarded the 2013 Distinguished Fellowship Program Director Award from the American College of Rheumatology. The award is given out to a current or former rheumatology program director that has made outstanding contributions in the mentoring and training of future rheumatologists

“ACT2+ Recruitment Registry”

- The CTSI is pleased to be supporting the ACT2-Plus Recruitment Registry, which provides support to the community of HIV researchers at NYU. The ACT2-Plus Registry is a pool of over 500 diverse adults living with HIV who have given signed consent to be contacted for future biomedical, bio-behavioral,

and social/behavioral research studies. There are plans to add 100 people to the registry this year to increase the diversity of the registry, focusing on those who are younger, not on Antiretroviral Therapy, and more recently diagnosed. For more information, please contact [Marya Gwadz](#)

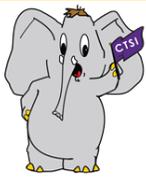
“Alisa Surkis has been elected as the new Co-Chair for the Bibliometrics Working Group”

- Each year the National CTSA Evaluation Key Function Committee elects Chairs and Co-Chairs for the Committee and its working groups. The CTSI is pleased to announce that Alisa Surkis, the NYU Translational Research (?) Librarian, has been elected to Co-Chair the Bibliometrics Working Group. Alisa took on her new role as of October 2013. The Bibliometrics Working Group is tasked with determining what metrics are used by individual CTSA’s in evaluation reporting, how bibliometrics are used across different fields; and how to do this analysis beyond medical research efforts. To learn more about this working group, click on the following link: [Bibliometrics](#)

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP) is Now Accepting Applications

- The CTSI is pleased to request applications for the January 2014 cycle of its Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP). TRAP awards are distributed three times a year (in January, May and September) with a budget of no more than \$20,000 for one year. They are designed to support domestic studies requiring non-CTSI services (e.g. animal usage/care, data mining/database access fees, participant compensation/travel, etc.) in support of the execution of clinical and translational science. Such studies may also request use of CTSI core services (e.g. Clinical Research Center, Biostatistics, and Bioinformatics). For more information, please click on the following link [TRAP](#)



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“Funding Opportunity via Our HHC Partners”

- The H3 Clinical Research Grant Program is pleased to announce the availability of funds for up to one year to support pragmatic scientific research projects that focus on one of the following areas: mental health issues, chronic disease management, or community based research at HHC. The due date for the Letter of Intent is October 7, 2013 and full proposals are due November 7, 2013. For more information, please contact [Praveen Pannala](#)

“Ion Channels & Transporters Interest Group Seminar: October 9, 2013”

- The October IC&T seminar will be held on Wednesday, October 9th, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, in the Smilow 1st Floor Seminar Room. Dr. Jing Wang will be giving a talk on *AMPA Receptor Signaling in Chronic Pain* and Thomas Blanck will be giving talk on *Anesthesia and Immobility*. To RSVP and learn more about this event, please contact [Rosa Hsieh](#)

“Bone Team Science Update”

- The next Journal Club will be taking place on Friday, October 18th, from 1:00 to 2:00 pm, at the Translational Research Building (TRB) 227th East 30th Street, 8th Floor, Conference Room 818. Aranzazu Mediero will be giving a talk titled *Netrin1 is a Critical Autocrine Factor for Osteoclast Differentiation*. To RSVP and learn more about this event, please contact [Rosa Hsieh](#)

“Biomedical Informatics Faculty Seminar: October 14, 2013”

- The next Biomedical Informatics Faculty Seminar is scheduled for Monday, October 14, 2013 from 1.00pm to 2.00pm, in the Smilow 1st Floor Seminar Room. Alexander Statnikov will be presenting on *Information Content and Analysis Methods for Multi-Modal High-Throughput Biomedical Data*. To learn more about this event, please contact [Jeanne Webster](#)

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“The Grand Opening of the Clinical Research Center”

- The CTSI is pleased to announce that the grand opening of the new Clinical Research Center took place on September 26th and was a great success. The new center is housed on the 4th floor of the Bellevue Hospital C&D building and boasts 9,000 square feet. The center will allow our investigators to more efficiently conduct clinical research and simultaneously provide a comfortable environment for our participants. To learn more about the center and see pictures, please click here [CRC Center](#)

“ResearchMatch Launches Four Additional Condition Specific Sub-Registries ”

- ResearchMatch recently added four new condition specific sub-registries to its nationwide volunteer registry. A total of six new registries have been created since January 2013. They include the following conditions: Autism Spectrum Disorder, HIV-AIDS, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Eosinophilic Esophagitis, Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome, and Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome. To learn more about ResearchMatch and this new sub-registry feature, please read the [Press Release](#) found under “What’s New.”

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

CEPHR Consultation Service

- This CTSI service provides guidance and consultation on a variety of methods/approaches in community-oriented and population health to researchers across the translational spectrum. More specifically, it provides consultations in the following areas: community engagement; community based participatory research (CBPR); Participant Recruitment and Retention in Research; Practice-based Research; Comparative Effectiveness Research; Cost-effectiveness Analysis; Behavioral Economics; Implementation Research; Dissemination Research; and Social Epidemiology. Consultations may range from one-time requests to being the starting point for funded collaborations. To learn more about this service, please click on the following link [CEPHR Consultation Service](#). If you would like to request a consult, please complete a [Service Request Form](#).



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"Ion Channels & Transporters Interest Group Seminar: September 18th 2013"

- The IC&T seminar series will be starting up again this month. The next seminar will be by Dr. Mario Delmar titled "Gap Junctions, Desmosomes and the Sodium Channel Complex: Partners in a Heartbeat." The seminar will take place Wednesday, September 18th, 3:00 to 4:00 pm, in the Skirball 4th Floor Seminar Room. To RSVP and learn more about this event, please contact [Rosa Hsieh](#)

"Bone Team Science Update"

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"CEPHR Creating Short Course on CBPR for Society for Medical Decision Making Meeting"

- Chau Trinh-Shevrin, DrPH, a key CEPHR leadership member, will lead a short, two and a half hour course at the Society for Medical Decision Making (SMDM) meeting on October 19-23, 2013 entitled "Community-based Participatory Research: Definitions and Implications for Translational Research." SMDM's mission is to improve health outcomes through the advancement of proactive systematic approaches to clinical decision making and policy-formation in health care by providing a scholarly forum that connects and educates researchers, providers, policy-makers, and the public.

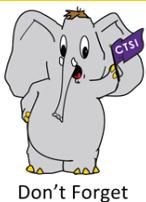
"CEPHR Seminar on Food Justice Movement and Obesity by Nick Freudenberg"

- Distinguished Professor of Public Health at CUNY Hunter School of Public Health, Nick Freudenberg, DrPH, MPH will provide a CEPHR seminar entitled "The Role of the Food Justice Movement in Shaping Research and Policy on Diet Related Diseases in New York City." The seminar will take place on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 from 4:30-5:00 pm in the Smilow Multi-Purpose Room located at 550 1st Avenue. To RSVP or for updates please contact [Claudia Calhoon](#)

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Resource Allocation Program (RAP)

- Investigators may apply for use of CTSI services and programs through the CTSI Resource Allocation Program (RAP) every month of the year except for August. Projects submitted to RAP can be paid for from an investigator's grant ("Purchase of Service") or can request that the CTSI assume some or all of the costs for the resources requested. Investigators can apply for up to \$15,000 worth of support per year for up to three years, though preference is given to Purchase of Service applications that fully utilize the services of the CTSI. To apply and/or learn more about this program, please click on the following link: [RAP](#)



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“Ion Channels & Transporters Interest Group”

- No seminars will be held during August 2013. Seminars will resume the second Wednesday of each month in the Fall. The start date will be announced in late August. Please look out for an email announcement.

“Changes to the Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP)”

- TRAP awards will now be distributed three times a year (in January, May, and September) instead of quarterly. The next RFA will be published in October 2013 with an award date of January 2014. As usual, each award has a budget of no more than \$20,000 to support resources such as data mining, animal usage, laboratory supplies, and participant compensation for one year. To learn more about the program, click on the following link: [TRAP](#)

“2014 Collaborative Translational Pilot Project Program Update”

- Full applications of studies invited to apply are currently under review. Final selections will be made early August and decision letters will be distributed mid-August. To learn more about the program, click on the following link: [Collaborative Translational Pilot Project Program](#)

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“New TREC Online Modules”

- The Translational Research, Education and Careers (TREC) program and the NYU School of Medicine Department of Educational Informatics are very pleased to offer a highly-interactive web program to provide an introduction to the design and performance of clinical research projects. The two online courses that are currently available include Introduction to Clinical Research: A Web Based Self Study Program and an Introduction to Biostatistics. To find out more information, and/or to access the available modules of the program, click [here](#)

“Poster Presentation at National CTSA Community Engagement Conference”

- CTSI Community Advisory Board (CAB) and CEPHR Faculty Steering Committee member, Balavenkatesh Kanna, MD will present the poster “Employee behavior, organizational norms, and on-site health resources related to diet/exercise at worksites in inner-city New York (NYC) communities” at the National CTSA Community Engagement Conference on August 22-23, 2013. The theme of the conference is “Science of Community Engagement: Future Directions.” Dr. Kanna will present data from a CTSI-funded pilot project that employed a CBPR approach, in collaboration with other CAB member organizations, to assess community-based organization workplaces as potential sites for obesity interventions. To learn more about this conference, click on the following link: [CTSA Community Engagement Conference](#)

FEATURED RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture)

- This CTSI resource is a secure, web-based application for building and managing online surveys and databases. It allows for a streamlined process for rapidly developing projects. This tool also provides automated export procedures for seamless data downloads to Excel and common statistical packages

such as SPSS and SAS. To learn more about this tool and see a brief video, please click on the following link: [REDCap](#) and click on Brief Summary Video. Please note: this link will bring you to the NYULMC site to use REDCap.



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“Seminar: The Interface of Public Health and Mental Health”

- CEPHR is pleased to announce that for its next seminar Neal Cohen, MD, Interim Dean, CUNY School of Public Health and Acting Provost for Health and Social Welfare at Hunter College will give a lecture titled “The Interface of Public Health and Mental Health.” The lecture will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 from 4-5:30 pm in the Translational Research Building, First floor conference room at 227 East 30th Street. For more information and to RSVP please contact: [Claudia Calhoun](#)

“Chau Trinh-Shevrin participating in the 2014 International Symposium on Minority Health & Health Disparities”

- Key CEPHR Faculty member Chau Trinh-Shevrin, DrPH will participate in the Scientific Planning Committee for the 2014 International Symposium on Minority Health and Health Disparities, sponsored by the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD). The 2014 International Symposium is scheduled for December 1-3, 2014 at the Gaylord Hotel in National Harbor, Maryland.

“Upcoming Ion Channels Seminar on July 10th”

- Dr. Greg Suh will be holding a seminar on interceptive sugar sensing mediated by a brain specific sodium/solute co-transporter. The seminar will take place on July 10th at 3:30pm in Skirball’s 4th Floor Seminar Room. For more information and to RSVP please contact: [Rosa Hsieh](#)

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“Dr. Nancy “Nana” Bennett is elected as the new Co-Chair of the CTSA Consortium Community Engagement Key Function Committee (CE KFC)”

- Dr. Bennett will join Dr. Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, UC Davis and Mr. Alan Richmond, NC Institute of Minority Economic Development in leading the CE KFC effective July 1, 2013. She currently directs the community engagement component of Rochester University's CTSA and is engaged in fostering community health research, infrastructure planning for community health and improvement, in addition to finding innovative approaches to working with local residents and agencies to improve health, and developing a pipeline of future interdisciplinary and translational research professionals. In her new role, Dr. Bennett seeks to foster CTSA collaboration with federal agencies such as the CDC, AHRQ, HRSA, and the CMMI as well as with organizations working to promote patient and community engagement nationally such as PCORI and CCPH. Finally, she will work to make certain that CTSA activities advance the health of communities and of the nation. To learn more about what the Community Engagement Key Function Committee (CE KFC) is, click on the following link: [CE KFC](#)

“ResearchMatch Launches HIV Condition Specific Sub-Registry”

- ResearchMatch.org recently added an HIV sub-registry to its nationwide, condition-neutral, research volunteer registry. Those in the field of HIV-AIDS research and those individuals who are HIV positive participated in focus groups to help identify an additional set of questions to create the ResearchMatch HIV sub-registry. The addition of optional targeted questions for volunteers who identify themselves as

having an AIDS or HIV condition will add precision to the matching process of volunteers to researchers seeking volunteers for their AIDS-HIV research. This is the second such sub-registry release since the launch of the one for Autism Spectrum Disorder in January. Sub-registries for Intellectual Disabilities, Food Allergies and Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome are in the pipeline. To learn more about ResearchMatch and this new feature, please read the [Press Release](#) found under “What’s New.”

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Consultation in Biomedical and Clinical Research Informatics (CHIBI)

- The Best Practices Integrative Consulting Service (BPIC) of the Center for Health Informatics and Bioinformatics in collaboration and with the sponsorship of the NYU-HHC CTSI offers a consulting clinic for investigators that need help in areas of informatics. Consultations are offered by expert informatics faculty and have led to numerous successes including improvements in methodology and publications. To learn more about this service; please click on the following link [CHIBI Consultation Service](#). If you would like to request a consult, please complete a [Service Request Form](#).

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“Microbiomics Informatics at NYU: First Successes and Future Challenges”

- Dr. Alexander Alekseyenko, an assistant professor in the Department of Medicine and Division of Pharmacology, will be hosting a seminar on the successes and future challenges of Microbiomics Informatics at NYU. The seminar will take place on June 11th from 12.30pm to 1.30pm in Skirball’s 3rd Floor Seminar Room. To learn more about this seminar please contact [Pat Donohue](#)

“CEPHR Offers Workshop on Dissemination of CBPR and Effective Communication of Meaningful Data”

- CEPHR is pleased to offer this workshop highlighting the ways that successful community-based participatory research partnerships can make certain that research results are disseminated back to the community and other constituencies. During the first part of this workshop, Darius Tandon, Director of the Community Engagement Core, Institute for Clinical and Translational Research at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Editor-in-Chief of Progress in Community Health Partnerships Journal – the first scholarly journal dedicated to CBPR - will discuss important considerations related to disseminating results of CBPR partnerships. During the second part of this workshop, Ben Peterson from the Maryland Institute College of Art will discuss innovative ways of disseminating research data using graphics and other media. The workshop will take place on Monday, June 24 from 12.00 to 3.00 pm in the Translational Research Building at 227 East 30th Street, Conference Room 120. For more information, please contact [Catlin Rideout](#)

“Applications for Summer Intensive Program in Translational Research Methodologies Due June 5th”

- **EXTENDED DEADLINE:** Applications are now being accepted for the inaugural class of the Summer Intensive Program in Translational Research Methodologies sponsored by the Translational Research Education and Careers unit (TREC) of the CTSI. Full-time immersion courses will provide participants with a cohesive foundation in clinical research methods, biostatistics, clinical informatics, and ethics. Individuals completing the 9-credit program will receive a Certificate in Translational Research, offered by NYU School of Medicine and approved by the New York State Department of Education. For more information about this July’s program, as well as access to the application, visit our TREC [Website](#)

“Upcoming Seminar on Studying Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Dysplasia ”

- Dr. Vincent Chen, an associate professor in the Center for Neuroscience, Aging, and Stem-Cell Research at Sanford-Burnha, Medical Research Institute, is giving a seminar on Studying Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Dysplasia/Cardiomyopathy with Patient Specific iPS Cells. This seminar is hosted by the Division of Cardiology, Kimmel Stem Cell Center, and Ions Channels and Transporters Group. It will take place on June 20th at 3.30pm in Skirball’s 3rd Floor Seminar Room.

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“CEPHR Faculty Member Chau Trinh-Shevrin Gives NIMHD Health Disparities Seminar”

- In commemoration of Asian American Heritage Month, Dr. Chau Trinh-Shevrin provided the [National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities Seminar](#) on May 16, 2013. In her presentation, Dr. Trinh-Shevrin examined Asian American health disparities, challenges related to health access and health equity, and the progress that has been made to reduce health disparities in Asian American

populations. She highlighted research being done on issues including social determinants of health; efforts to dispel the model minority myth; and collection of disaggregated health data on racial and ethnic minority populations. Dr. Chau Trinh-Shevrin is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Population Health and Medicine at the New York University (NYU) School of Medicine. She is founder of the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH), funded by the NIMHD. She directs the Office of Community Engagement for the CTSI.

“CRC Space”

- The new CTSI Clinical Research Center (CRC) facilities at Bellevue C&D are near completion, and a move-in date is scheduled for June 2013. There are plans for a Grand Opening in September 2013. Watch for a Save-the-Date email coming soon. The new CRC boasts dedicated space for study participants including exam rooms, adult & pediatric infusion suites, interview rooms and much more.

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Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP)

- TRAP distributes quarterly awards (in January, April, July, and October) with a budget of no more than \$20,000, and funds targeted resources such as data mining, animal usage/care, and participant compensation/travel for up to one year. Applications for the next cycle of awards are due June 5th. To learn more about this program please visit the [TRAP Website](#)

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May 2013 e-Newsletter

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“RFA for Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP) has been released”

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- Applications are now being accepted for the inaugural class of the Summer Intensive Program in Translational Research Methodologies sponsored by the Translational Research Education and Careers unit (TREC) of the CTSI. Full-time immersion courses will provide participants with a cohesive foundation in clinical research methods, biostatistics, clinical informatics, and ethics. Individuals completing the 9-credit program will receive a Certificate in Translational Research, offered by NYU School of Medicine and approved by the New York State Department of Education. For more information about this July's program, as well as access to the application, visit our TREC [website](#)

“Upcoming Workshop: Translation of CBPR into Policy and Practice”

- Unlike more traditional research approaches, community-based participatory research (CBPR) is defined in part by its belief that action and the fostering of social change are an integral part of the research process. At this workshop, leadership and coalition partners from the Bronx Health REACH will present two case studies highlighting successful partnerships that have translated CBPR into action. The first will look at how a community-based coalition changed school milk policy in New York City, and the second will present on the Segregated Care Campaign, which has been working to end the segregated specialty care system in New York State through legal and legislative action. The workshop will be in May, however, the time and location is TBD. Please look out for a follow up email. In the meantime, to learn more, please contact: [Catlin Rideout](#)

“Job Opening for a Bioinformatics Programmer”

- The Center for Health Informatics & Bioinformatics is currently looking for a Bioinformatics Programmer to join their team. The ideal candidate will have a PhD or MS in Computer Science with specialization in Machine Learning. To learn more about this position, please click on the following link: [Bioinformatics Programmer](#)

REMINDER!!!

“Letters of Intent are Due Today: May 1st”

- May 1, 2013 is the deadline for submitting Letters of Intent for the CTSI Collaborative Pilot Project Program. The Translational Research, Novel Technologies and Pilot Studies program of the CTSI offers funding up to \$50,000 a year for such projects. For more information on the program, follow the link [Pilot Projects](#). To complete the LOI for this year's consideration, click here [Letter of Intent Form](#).

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“Forum on Community Health Care Workers and the Affordable Care Act”

- The CTSI is very pleased to be a co-sponsor of the NYU Prevention Research Center’s forum “Redesigning the Health Care Team: Integrating Community Health Workers within Affordable Care Act Implementation.” The forum will take place on Thursday, May 9 from 2-6 pm at the NYU School of Medicine, 550 First Avenue, Alumni Hall B. The mission of the NYU Prevention Research Center (PRC) is to use a community health worker (CHW) model approach in diverse communities to build community capacity and leadership for cardiovascular health promotion and disease prevention. To learn more and RSVP to this event, please click on the following link: [Forum](#)

“Cite It – NIH Public Access Policy”

- The NIH Public Access policy, which requires that all peer-reviewed manuscripts that arise from NIH funding be made available in PubMed Central no later than 12 months after publication, is now tied to grant funding. Any NIH grants with renewal or start dates on or after July 1, 2013 that are non-compliant will have their **grant funds delayed** until compliance is achieved. The NYU Health Sciences Libraries have produced a short [video](#) providing guidance on achieving compliance that includes links to a number of further resources and a page of [FAQs](#) on this topic. Further assistance is available by emailing the [Public Access Help Team](#)

FEATURED SERVICE OF THE MONTH

REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture)

- This CTSI resource is a secure, web-based application for building and managing online surveys and databases. It allows for a streamlined process for rapidly developing projects. This tool also provides automated export procedures for seamless data downloads to Excel and common statistical packages such as SPSS and SAS. To learn more about this tool and see a brief video, please click on the following link: [REDCAP](#). Please note: this link will bring you to the NYULMC site to use REDCap.

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April 2013 e-Newsletter

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“Upcoming Funding Opportunity”

- The Translational Research, Novel Technologies and Pilot Studies program is getting ready to release its annual Request for Collaborative Translational Pilot Project Applications. Funding will be available for up to \$50,000 a year. Please look out for an email broadcast set to release on April 8th which will provide more details and information on how to apply.

“Biomedical Informatics Faculty Seminar”

- Dr. Steven Shen, an associate Professor in Biochemistry and the Center for Health Informatics & Bioinformatics will be hosting a seminar on NGS Data Downstream Analysis in Practice. The seminar will take place on Tuesday, April 9th from 12pm to 1pm in the Smilow Seminar Room. To learn more about this seminar please contact [Pat Donohue](#)

“Save the Date: Interactive Workshop on Tools to Facilitate Community Engaged Research on April 25th”

- On Thursday, April 25th from 9am to 12pm, the Community Engagement and Population Health Research (CEPHR) Core of the CTSI will offer a workshop on tools to facilitate community engaged research. This workshop will equip participants with tools for evaluating collaborative partnerships, through a mixed methods approach and through Social Network Analysis. It will be led Dr. Nancy Van Devanter, Associate Professor at the NYU College of Nursing, and Dr. Farzana Kapadia, Assistant Professor of Public Health at NYU Steinhardt. To sign up and learn more about this workshop, please contact [Catlin Rideout](#)

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“Ion Channels and Transporters Interest Group”

- The CTSI is very pleased to announce that the Ion Channels and Transporters Interest Group will kick-off with a seminar by Dr. Richard Tsien, which will take place on Tuesday, April 2nd at 3:00 PM at the Skirball 3rd Floor Seminar Room. The title of the seminar is *Calcium Channels: Potent Signal Transducers in Health and Disease*. Please mark your calendars, and encourage all colleagues in your group to attend. The CTSI plans to establish a website that will list all labs and people participating in this group, and provide information on seminars, lectures and other events. If you would like to learn more about this group and be added to the group's distribution, please e-mail [Rosa Hsieh](#)

“Introduction to Clinical Research a Web Based Program”

- The Translational Research, Education and Careers (TREC) program and the NYU School of Medicine Department of Educational Informatics are pleased to offer a highly-interactive web program to provide an introduction to the design and performance of clinical research projects. Part I, Basic Principles Clinical Research, is currently available, along with the first module of Part II, Cohort Studies. The remainder of Part II, a Survey of Clinical Study Methodologies, is currently under development and modules will be released as they are completed. In the future, this program may be offered as both a self-study and as a formal, proctored on-line course as part of a Certificate Program in Translational

Research. To find out more information, and/or to access the available modules of the program, click [here](#)

FEATURED SERVICE OF THE MONTH

Biostatistics Consultation Service

- This CTSI service provides statistical consultations to all clinical and translational science investigators. These consults allow investigators to seek expert advice from a qualified Biostatistician on areas such as experimental design, protocol development, data analysis and interpretation of results. Past consults have led to approved protocols, successful grant applications, and the publishing of manuscripts. To learn more about this service, please click on the following link [Biostatistics Consultation Service](#). If you would like to request a consult, please complete a [Service Request Form](#).

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“Data Management for Clinical Research”

- Vanderbilt University is offering a 6 week online course beginning in April on concepts related to research data planning, collection, storage and dissemination. Instructors will provide information on best practice guidelines for investigator-initiated and sponsored research studies, single and multi center studies, and prospective data collection and secondary-reuse of clinical data for purposes of research. Currently, over 14,000 people have signed up. To sign up and learn more about the course, please click on the following link: [Course](#)

“Save the Date: Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) Workshop on March 14th”

- On Thursday March 14, 2013 from 9 am to 12 pm, the Community Engagement and Population Health Research core (CEPHR) of the CTSI will offer a CBPR Workshop featuring methods in community engaged research. This session will equip participants to conduct a Needs and Asset Assessment, use an Asset-Mapping Tool, and use Photovoice as a participatory assessment and issue selection tool. It will be led by Dr. Simona Kwon, Assistant Professor at the NYU School of Medicine and Center for the Study of Asian American Health, and Dr. Yumary Ruiz, Clinical Assistant Professor at the NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development and the Center for Latino Adolescent and Family Health. To sign up and learn more about this workshop, please contact: [Catlin Rideout](#)

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“New Funding Mechanism”

- The CTSI is pleased to announce a new funding mechanism. As a result of receiving numerous requests for new services and resources, the CTSI will now, in addition to the Resource Allocation Program and Collaborative Pilot Projects Program, offer a slightly more Targeted Resource Allocation Program (TRAP). This new program will administer quarterly awards with a budget of no more than \$20,000 and it will cover areas such as data mining, animal usage care, participant compensation and travel. Please look out for an email broadcast which will provide more details and information on how to apply.

“KL2 Scholars Decisions”

- The Translational Research Education and Careers (TREC) core of the CTSI released a KL2 RFA for support in January 2013. In total, 16 applications were received from individuals at the various schools and colleges of NYU. After rigorous review and ranking, 2 applicants were chosen to be funded for this year. The two successful applicants are Binita Shah, from the Department of Medicine/Cardiology and Lucas Sjulson from the Department of Psychiatry. To learn more about the KL2 program and previously funded scholars, please click on the following link: [KL2 Overview](#)

“NHLBI Highlights CTSI-affiliated Community-Engaged Research at NYU”

- On February 12, 2013, the NIH National Heart Lung Blood Institute (NHLBI) featured efforts focused on addressing cardiovascular disease disparities in Filipino American populations. Specifically, these efforts focused on NHLBI’s efforts to develop, test, and evaluate its *Healthy Heart, Healthy Family* curriculum to improve cardiovascular health in Filipino populations using a community health worker

approach. NHLBI worked with national stakeholders, including the CTSI CEPHR key partners: the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health, NYU Project AsPIRE (Asian American Partnership in Health) and the Kalusugan Coalition, a New York City (NYC) community coalition serving Filipino communities in the NYC metro area, and highlighted their contribution in dissemination of evidence-based CHW interventions. To learn more about these efforts, please visit the [NHBLI website](#).

“New CTSI-HHC Assistant Director”

- The CTSI is pleased to announce the hiring of Mica McKnight, the new CTSI-HHC Assistant Director. Mica will serve as the new administrative liaison between the CTSI and HHC. Mica’s prior experience in research includes working as a Research Assistant for St. Luke’s-Roosevelt Hospital. During this time she coordinated all aspects of the clinical research projects in the field of human behavior and traumatic events. Mica completed her undergraduate degree in Psychology & Biology at St. Johns University. Currently, she attends the Master’s program in Clinical Psychology at Columbia University where she has entered into a concentrated track of research methodology and is still involved in research on a volunteer basis.

APPLYING FOR CTSI SERVICES

Concierge Service

- This CTSI service is spearheaded by Hal Rosenblatt, the CTSI Research Protocol Coordinator. Hal can help you: understand the purpose and structure of the CTSI; provide you information on the various CTSI services and resources available; provide you information on how to apply for these services and resources; determine which CTSI application is appropriate for your project; navigate the NYU regulatory system, including the NYU Institutional Review Board (IRB) and the Bellevue Research Committee; develop protocols and budgets; understand how to make use of the national ResearchMatch volunteer research registry. If you are interested in applying for this service please complete the [Service Request Form](#).

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“RFA for TREC Mentor Development Program has been released”

- The CTSI TREC Mentor Development Program has developed an innovative curriculum for training research faculty to become the next generation of effective clinical and translational mentors. Faculty members who are dedicated to clinical and translational research are invited to apply for participation in this program. For more information, please contact [Tara Brant](#) or visit the [TREC website](#)

“Upcoming TREC Grand Rounds Seminar”

- The next TREC Grand Rounds Seminar is scheduled for February 28th from 4pm to 5pm. The seminar topic will be research ethics. More specifically, the seminar speaker, Dr. Jan Blustein, will be discussing how medical researchers think about research ethics differently to other social scientists. To RSVP for this event and find out more information, please contact [Claudia Galeano](#)

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“ResearchMatch launches first condition specific sub-registry”

- Research Match[®] is the first nationwide, disease-neutral, research volunteer recruitment registry. It now offers to researchers and volunteers the ability to also operate as a home for condition specific sub-registries like Autism Spectrum Disorder. ResearchMatch has created a new design with additional applications for its national registry of research volunteers and researchers. One of the most critical innovative roles in the new design is the ability to create and sustain condition specific sub-registries. To learn more about ResearchMatch and this new feature, please read the [Press Release](#) found under “What’s New.”

Center for Health Informatics and Bioinformatics (CHIBI)

- CHIBI is proud to announce that Dr. Stuart Brown has recently released a new book entitled *Next Generation DNA Sequencing Informatics*. This is the first book of its kind to address the informatics needs of scientists who wish to take advantage of the explosion of research opportunities offered by new DNA sequencing technologies. For more information and to purchase the book, please click on the following link at [Amazon](#).

APPLYING FOR CTSI SERVICES

CEPHR Consultation

- The [Community Engagement and Population Health Research \(CEPHR\) Core](#) of the CTSI provides guidance and consultation on a variety of methods/approaches in community-engaged and population health to researchers across the translational spectrum. Community engagement can play a vital role in articulating the value of research to community members, potential research participants and investigators. In addition, identifying community leaders, securing community buy-in and establishing open lines of communication with key stakeholders can help improve recruitment and retention in a variety of types of research, including but not limited to, clinical trials. CEPHR can also arrange for consultation in a wide array of additional areas of emphasis including community-based participatory research, practice-based research, comparative effectiveness research, cost-effectiveness analysis,

behavioral economics, implementation and dissemination research. For more information on CEPHR consultations, please contact [Claudia Calhoon](#)

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“Measuring the Health of NYC through Examination Studies”

- Upcoming Event: Dr. Lorna Thorpe, Director of the Epidemiology and Biostatistics Program at the City University of New York School of Public Health, will be hosting a seminar on how health can be measured via examination studies. The seminar will take place Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at the Translational Research Building from 4.00pm to 5.30pm. To learn more or RSVP to this event, please contact [Claudia Calhoon.](#)

“Applications of Text Categorization of Medicine”

- Yindalon Aphinyanaphongs, Research Assistant Professor at the NYU School of Medicine, will be hosting a talk on the use of text categorization in Medicine. The talk will take place on Tuesday, January 15th from 10.30am to 11.30am in the Smilow Seminar Room located in the NYU Langone Medical Center. For more information on this event and other CHIBI events please contact [Pat Donohue.](#)

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Training, Research, Education and Careers (TREC)

- The CTSI and TREC team are now proud to offer a Master’s of Science Degree in Clinical Investigation. This degree is intended for physicians and other professionals holding an advanced degree in a clinical specialty who have completed residency or higher training or equivalent in a clinical department and who are interested in gaining the knowledge and research experience necessary to build a translational research career. This degree is also offered as part of a dual MD/MSCI degree program available only to students matriculated at NYU School of Medicine. Applications are due March 29th and can be found on the TREC [website.](#) For more information and/or if you have any questions please contact the program via [email.](#)

Center for Health Informatics and Bioinformatics (CHIBI)

- CHIBI is proud to announce its Graduate Training Program in Biomedical Informatics. The program offers doctoral level training in Medical (Health) Informatics and Bioinformatics. The program's major focus is on developing student's skills in designing and deploying rigorous and high-impact methodological bioinformatics and medical informatics innovations that apply to Translational or Clinical Medicine. Students are accepted with backgrounds in biological, medical, or quantitative/computational disciplines. For more information please visit the program website: [Graduate Training Program.](#)

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CTSI Services

- The CTSI offers a range of services and these include but are not limited to Research Studios, Consultations in Biostatistics and Study Design, Biomedical/Clinical Research Informatics, Clinical Research Resources, Research Subject Safety Consultation and more. To learn more about the services

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