

**CTSA Public Private Partnerships
Key Function Committee Meeting
April 22, 2009
3:00-4:30PM, ET**

Recording: <https://webmeeting.nih.gov/p43603049/>

Participants

CTSA Representatives: Jim Bray (Northwestern), Brad Castanho (Washington U.), Steve Dewhurst (Rochester), Terry Fadem (UPenn), Eva Guinan (Harvard), Thomas Inui (Indiana), David Johnson (Northwestern); Meng Ken (Michigan); Marc Malandro (Pittsburgh), Clay Marsh (Ohio State), Kate Marusina (UCDavis), Andy Maslow, David McGee (UC, Davis); Becky Moen (Duke); Lynn Rose (UWash), David Schoenhaut (Einstein), Rosemary Simpson (UNC), Terry Solomon (Rockefeller), Tim Stout (OHSU), Meng Tan (Michigan)

Committee Co-Chairs: Ken Holroyd (Vanderbilt), Marc Malandro (Pitt)

NIH/Government Representatives: Bonny Harbinger (OD), Roger Little (NIH), Carmen Rosa (NIDA)

Committee Coordinators: Greg Evans (NCI), Lili Portilla (NCRR)

Booz Allen Hamilton Staff: Helen Lee, Kevin Johnson

Lili Portilla introduced Greg Evans, NCI, to the committee as one of the new NIH Coordinators. Dr. Greg Evans currently serves as a Program Director and Team Leader within the new NCI SBIR Development Center, an office created in 2008 to centralize management of small business contracts and grants, to increase marketing efforts in the small business and biotechnology investment communities, and to raise the bar for commercialization of cancer-related products and services by small businesses. As a Program Director, he is responsible for a more broadly defined portfolio that includes projects focused on imaging devices for early cancer detection, drug development, diagnostics, basic cancer biology, and population-based cancer prevention. G. Evans plans to discuss NCI's SBIR initiatives with KFC members in the near future.

Update on Outcomes from the CTSA Consortium Steering Committee Meeting

- **“Doing Business with CTSA’s” Document**

Lili Portilla presented a status update on the status of the “Doing Business with CTSA’s” document. The document was presented to the CTSA PI Steering Committee on April 21st. Several PI commented that they had never seen the document and were concerned that it may conflict with institutional policies. Again, the intent of this document is to lay out key principles on how industry can interact with CTSA’s, and not meant to serve as a legalistic primer or to circumvent the CTSA institutions policies. The CCSC was asked to provide comments back to L. Portilla by May 1st.

- **Potential PPP Activities**

The list of activities will be revisited to include language that reflects the mandate/charter for this key function committee.

- **Update on the Strategic Goal Committee 5**

A fifth Strategic Goal Committee was launched by consensus from the CTSAT Consortium Steering Committee. This SGC would address T1 Translational Research issues. It was agreed that the PPP has much to contribute to this SGC and that a brainstorming session should be scheduled to identify synergies.

Discussion on “How to Expedite Material Transfers Among CTSAs”

Brad Castanho provided an outline produced by Washington University on “How to Expedite Material Transfers Among CTSAs,” and hope to seek enrollment and support from KFC members. Since Material Transfer Agreements (MTAs) have become increasingly onerous barriers to the free and open exchange of scientific information and materials between researchers from non-profit institutions, members agreed that a common set of policy to facilitate MTAs. B. Castanho will send an email to the group with updated language on a MTA policy.

IPX Presentation

Ed Powell, IPX, provided an overview of the company’s capabilities, which includes Intellectual Property Management (IPM) Consulting Services. IPX incorporates a suite of web tools that highlight critical business and IP opportunities to help inform customers on how to best make strategic business decisions as well as optimize the “*Net Present Value*” of its intellectual property portfolio. IPX relies on surveillance techniques that mines structured and unstructured data for actionable data discovery and provide a platform for continuous monitoring.

The full IPX presentation can be found on the wiki <https://www.ctsawiki.org/wiki/x/bACy>

Action Items:

1. Share SBIR program information (G. Evans)
2. Provide comments on and elicit buy-in from respective PIs on the “Doing Business with CTSAs” document (All)
3. Provide feedback on PPP Areas of Focus document (All)
4. Provide input on proposed MTA policy for consideration (B. Castanho)
5. Conduct brainstorming session with SGC 5 and Translational KFC leadership (KFC co-Chairs and Coordinators)

The meeting adjourned at 4:03pm.