

**CTSA Public Private Partnerships  
Key Function Committee Meeting  
February 25, 2009  
3:00-4:30PM, ET**

**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:** Mark Scheideler (NINDS), Lili Portilla (NCRR)

**Booz Allen Hamilton Staff:** Helen Lee

**Update on Aggregating IP and Resources Group and AUTM Symposium**

Steve Dewhurst presented an debrief on the outcomes of the Special Interest Group participation in the Association of University Technology Managers meeting, noting that discussions focused on defining the characteristics of the ideal tool for aggregation. Some of the proposed next steps going forward include improving the functionality of the web tool through collaboration in research, incorporating data from different sources, and seeking third party aggregators that could help facilitate a useful database for the CTSA. Members discussed the benefits of a third party aggregator to help define the parameters of this project and shape the scope to enable demonstrable progress in the near term, and noted the importance of developing contact in third party groups such as health alliances, foundations, etc.

Lili Portilla noted the synergies that exist between this initiative and those undertaken in Strategic Goal Committee (SGC) 3: Enhancing Consortium-wide Collaboration and stressed the need for close collaboration. It was agreed that this Key Function Committee should establish an interface with SGC 3 and initiate discussions in the near future. Participants suggested outreach to foundations (e.g. the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation) with collaborative research programs and those with contacts are encouraged to share this information.

**Update on Agreements Group and “Doing Business with CTSA’s” Document**

Marc Malandro presented an update on the status of the “Doing Business with CTSA’s” document, which is intended to lay out key principles on how industry can interact with CTSA’s, and not meant to serve as a legalistic primer. The next step is to seek input and endorsement for this document from the CTSA Consortium Executive Committee (CCEC). With the consent of the CCEC, the entire CTSA Consortium Steering Committee will be asked to endorse this set of principles, which would allow it to be published and shared widely with industry and/or at a possible PPP workshop/forum to showcase the CTSA’s and discuss ways to collaborate with industry. The concept of a workshop would also be discussed with the CCEC membership..

### **Discussion on Strategy to Improve Clinical Research Management**

The CTSA Clinical Research Management Key Function Committee will hold a workshop in June to identify ways to improve protocol and contracts processing. The goal at the June 22-23 meeting is to collect a small set of data on clinical research management on IRB approvals and Contracts executions and to use the data to improve management at CTSA sites.

### **Discussion on Nominations of Educational Resources**

Members agreed that the PPP should incorporate education resources into the work of this Key Function Committee and that monthly calls of the Education Group need to be revived. Email Helen Lee if interested in participating in these calls.

### **Update on CTSA Consortium Steering Committee Meeting Key Topics**

Mark Scheideler noted the need for the PPP to interact with SGCs and to identify a close fit with Consortium priorities. The potential for a fifth SGC to focus on T1 Translational issues is especially timely and it is recommended for liaisons to connect with the T1 Committee and other SGCs. Those interested in serving as liaisons and/or already serve on SGCs are encouraged to represent the views and initiatives of the PPP.

### **Discussion on Proposed Public Private Partnerships Workshop**

During the PPP Key Function Committee face to face meeting last December, participants agreed to consider a workshop to showcase the CTSA and to identify private sector interests. As the CCEC will have to approve the workshop concept, members are asked to consider joining a planning committee to plan the agenda and identify potential participants. Those interested in serving on the planning committee should indicate so to Helen Lee.

### **Action Items:**

1. Share contacts in foundations with research collaboration programs (All)
2. Finalize “Doing Business with CTSA’s” document and forward to the CCEC for input and endorsement (L. Portilla)
3. Email Helen Lee if interested in serving on the PPP Workshop Planning Committee (All)
4. Email Helen Lee if interested in participating in the Education Group (All)

The meeting adjourned at 4:03pm.