MR3 Network Bi-Monthly Teleconference
Wednesday, January 17, 2018
11am CDT

Facilitator: Marcas Bamman. PhD

1. NIH Updates:
   Dr. Ralph Nitkin
   • New guidelines for submissions; important to pay attention or proposals will be kicked back
   • Need official word from the government by end of the week or will have shut down; if this happens, will not be able to reach them

   Dr. Alison Cernich
   • There are changes in the way you submit Diversity Supplements. Confirm a career development plan is in their application. Review their criteria closely.
   • Precision Medicine Initiative now known as All of Us Research Program launched a public comment portal; requesting research ideas; how do you use the information from a million subjects; submit your ideas; let Alison know if you do
   • Alison will be presenting at Council on Rehabilitation Research Across the NIH tomorrow morning; she will email a link for distribution; will be archived for later viewing

   Dr. Lynn
   • NINDS Council – February 1, 2018 – NIH Videocast Website: http://videocast.nih.gov/; highly encourage listening in; will be archived for later viewing
   • Carefully read funding announcements for future clinical trial applications; important to make sure that what you are doing fits

2. Scientific Presentation: Dr. Tom Buford, REACT: Targeting the Renin-Angiotensin System for Preserving Late-Life Mobility

3. Center updates/announcements
   1. AR3T – Laura Miller
      • Presenting two courses: (1) Association of Academic Physiatrists – Atlanta; (2) Orthopedic Research Society – New Orleans; Workshop in Rehabilitation Medicine
      • Partnering with Regenerative Medicine Courses in existence across the country; providing lectures on regenerative rehabilitation and providing travel stipends; unique opportunity to attend a Mayo Course April 16-20; email AR3T@pitt.edu for more information
      • 4th Cycle: Pilot Grant Applications – good response getting word out

   2. CLDR – Ken Ottenbacher
      • Focusing effort on our pilot project program – LOI requests out due on Feb 1, 2018
      • Annual Advisory Board Meeting – January 24 & 25, 2018; pilot projects will be presenting
      • Co-sponsoring activities: COSTAR Institute, Boston – April 5, 2018; OT Research Symposium, June 2018
3. **NCSRR – Joy Ku**
   - Last month-*Learning to Run Challenge*; partnership between NCSRR and Mobilization Center: ~460 scientists applied their skills to generate interesting gait patterns; for those interested, the link is available for the competition entries; presented at NIPS Conference
   - Accepting applications for the Visiting Scholars Program; due Feb. 2; five-week program; goal to Increase women and minority participation; contact Joy if you know of applicants or organizations that would be interested in coordinating on getting program information out to others

4. **NM4R - Steve Kautz**
   - Level 2 Workshops at the end of March; 3 in 2018 – each half week; announcement will be sent shortly
   - Reviewing Pilot Projects
   - Sponsoring *Progress in Motor Control Program* in Neuro Rehabilitation at Penn State; July 23 – 25, 2018; Honoring Dr. Claude Ghez, major contributor in Motor Control Research

5. **TREAT – Rick Greenwald**
   - *LIGHTRUN* (client) presented their product at the NIH Clinical Center
   - 8 to 10 active clients working on their commercialization process; progressing toward SBIR submissions; applications should be more informed for type of information needed for successful SBIRs
   - Scientific Advisory Board Meeting – mid-February

6. **REACT – Marcs Bamman**
   - Reviewing yr. 03 pilot program LOIs; received 68; expecting to fund 5 full proposals at $40,000 each plus indirects of the home institution
   - Several pilot LOIs received are in the wheelhouse of other MR3 Centers; If these applicants rise to top, we could collaborate; Joy, NCSRR: would like to explore; would be good synergy between Center; no objections from any Center members
   - Clinical Trial Workshop scheduled for the APTA Meeting in New Orleans, February 2018
   - National meetings starting in the spring; will have exhibit booths and Network materials
   - If other MR3 Centers plan to attend conferences and/or workshops, communicate with Carla Perna so we can keep our MR3 website up-to-date
   - ACRM Meeting – 2 booths have been reserved; opportunity to synergize booth sharing; Carla will be sending out more information
   - Scholar Awardees are making good progress in utilizing core resources
   - External Advisory Board Meeting next month

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: March 14, 2018, 11:00 CDT