

# RESEARCH CAREER DEVELOPMENT NEWSLETTER

WEBSITE: <http://medschool.umaryland.edu/career>

July 2015

The Research Career Development Program (RCD) offers workshops, classes and seminars in subjects that are critical to an academic research career, including Grant Writing, Publishing Your Research and Identifying Funding Sources for Your Research. In addition, we offer symposia in Scientific Leadership & Professional Development. To view the workshop calendar, workshop descriptions, funding sources, grant deadlines etc., please visit: <http://medschool.umaryland.edu/career/>.

## Research Skills Workshops

### Identifying Funding Sources for Postdocs

Thursday, July 9

9:00 – 10:00am

685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

This interactive workshop, given by **Stacie Mendoza**, *Research Support Specialist*, will assist postdocs in identifying non-NIH sources of funding for their research. Topics will include:

- Comprehensive introduction to various funding resources, including searchable databases and useful websites
- Interactive demonstration using funding databases
- Helpful tips for identifying sources of funding

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

### Identifying Funding Sources for Faculty

Friday, July 10

9:00 – 10:00am

685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

This interactive workshop, given by **Stacie Mendoza**, *Research Support Specialist*, will assist faculty in identifying non-NIH sources of funding for their research. Topics will include:

- Comprehensive introduction to various funding resources, including searchable databases and useful websites
- Interactive demonstration using funding databases
- Helpful tips for identifying sources of funding

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

### Scientific Writing Accountability Group (SWAG) Information Session

Wednesday, July 15

9:00 – 10:00am

685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

Are you interested in increasing your writing productivity? If so, we hope you'll attend an information session about our new program, the Scientific Writing Accountability Group (SWAG). This program is based on the concept that by joining – and being accountable – to a group of one's peers, writing productivity increases, including, importantly, the number of submitted manuscripts. Thus, SWAG consists of 10 regularly scheduled one hour sessions, during which small groups of participants (6 – 8) commit to working on their scientific writing. This program recognizes that junior faculty often find it difficult to find the time to write, and that by joining a group of their peers and engaging in writing on a regular schedule, productivity, as well as success, defined as the number of accepted publications, increases.

The Research Career Development Program initiated the SWAG program a year ago, and participants have reported a significant increase in their writing productivity, including manuscripts submitted and accepted for publication. During this session, **Stacie Mendoza**, *Research Support Specialist*, will explain how the program functions.

**Please join us to learn more about SWAGs as we are forming new groups!**

**NOTE:** This session is targeted to junior faculty. Postdocs and graduate students should contact Jennifer Aumiller in the Office of Postdoctoral Scholars at [jaumiller@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:jaumiller@som.umaryland.edu) as she is also forming groups.

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

### Funding Success at NSF: Tips for Identifying the Right Funding Opportunity and Applying to the NSF

Monday, July 27 \*New date

10:00 – 11:30am

621 W. Lombard Street, SMC Campus Center, Room 210B

This seminar will focus on grantsmanship and funding opportunities offered by the **National Science Foundation (NSF)**. Major subjects will include: The NSF's mission; Elements of a competitive NSF proposal; Identifying the right NSF funding opportunity; Requirements for specific NSF funding mechanisms; How to apply; and NSF Review Process.

**Guest Speakers:** **Tamra C. Mendelson, PhD**, *Program Director, Behavioral Systems, NSF* and **Anthea Letsou, PhD**, *Program Director, Developmental Systems, NSF*

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

### How to Organize and Write a Biomedical Research Paper

Thursday, July 30

9:00 – 10:00am

685 W. Baltimore Street, MSTF Building, Room 316

This seminar is intended for junior faculty with limited experience publishing their research in peer-reviewed journals. This seminar begins with tips for planning a paper, but focuses primarily on the writing of a biomedical research paper. This seminar addresses the basic structure of a research paper (Title and Abstract; Introduction; Methods; Results and Discussion), focusing on organization and content. In addition, this seminar includes tips for successful scientific writing. **Instructor:** **Wendy Sanders, MA**, *Assistant Dean for Research Career Development, UMB*

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

### How to Write the New NIH Biosketch

Tuesday, September 1

9:00 – 10:00am

660 W. Redwood Street, Howard Hall Room 450

Recently the NIH announced changes to the NIH biosketch, which will be required for all grant applications as of May 25, 2015. These changes include page length as well as content/style. There are three new aspects of the biosketch, all of which will be discussed in this session: 1) description of up to 5 of the P.I.'s most significant contributions to science; description of P.I.'s specific role in important discoveries, documented by publications; inclusion of link to your publications in new SciENcv or My Bibliography. Use of the SciENcv tool for creating a Biosketch online will also be discussed. In addition, there are several changes to the personal statement. All of these changes will be discussed in this session. Please note: this session will focus on strategies for early stage/new investigators, as the changes may pose particular challenges for scientists who are at earlier stages of their careers.

**Speakers:** **Wendy Sanders, MA**, *Assistant Dean for Research Career Development, UMSOM* and **Andrea Goldstein Shipper, MSLIS**, *Research, Education and Outreach Librarian, HS/HSL, UM*

Registration required online at: <http://registrationrcdp.eventbrite.com>

## Clinical Research Education and Training Programs

### Introduction to Clinical and Translational Research Course at UMB

August 3-7

9:00 – 3:30pm (Monday – Thursday)

9:00 – 12:00pm (Friday)

20 Penn Street, HSF II Auditorium, 1<sup>st</sup> floor

The Department of Epidemiology and Public Health and the University of Maryland Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) and are pleased to sponsor the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Introduction to Clinical and Translational Research Course at UMB. This course is open to all faculty, fellows, residents, students and staff with an interest in clinical and translational research at UMB. The course is available for credit for students enrolled in a UMB academic program. Those students already enrolled in a graduate school program should register for PREV 616 in the 2015 fall semester; however, they still need to register at the link below. **CME credits will not be offered for this course.** The course is free of charge to those affiliated with University of Maryland, Baltimore; students are expected to attend the entire course as space is limited. Please contact Stacie Mendoza at [ssmall@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:ssmall@som.umaryland.edu) with any questions. Course schedule and information can be found at: <http://medschool.umaryland.edu/K30/shortcourses.asp>.

Registration is required online at:

<http://introtoclinicalresearchatumb2015.eventbrite.com>

## Individual Consultations

### GRANT WRITING/SUMMARY STATEMENT REVIEW CONSULTATIONS

**Wendy Sanders, MA**, Assistant Dean for Research Career Development, is available to meet with junior faculty regarding how to plan, organize, write and revise a research grant application, including how to address summary statements. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Sanders, email: [wsanders@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:wsanders@som.umaryland.edu)

### FUNDING SOURCE CONSULTATIONS

**Stacie Mendoza**, Research Support Specialist for Research Career Development, assists junior faculty and postdocs with identifying sources of funding for their research including how to navigate the NIH funding database. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Mendoza, email: [ssmall@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:ssmall@som.umaryland.edu)

## Funding Opportunities ~ Upcoming Deadlines

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD)

FY15 Prostate Cancer Research Program (PCRP)

Health Disparity Research Award

PRE-APPLICATION (Preproposal) DUE: July 16, 2015

FULL APPLICATION DUE: September 24, 2015

WEBSITE: [http://cdmnp.army.mil/funding/pa/15pcrphdra\\_pa.pdf](http://cdmnp.army.mil/funding/pa/15pcrphdra_pa.pdf)



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### ALEX'S LEMONADE STAND FOUNDATION

2015 Psychosocial Grants: Funding will support studies that aim to explain and/or improve psychosocial outcomes of those affected by childhood cancer.

- Launch Grants

- Family Impact Grants

LOI DUE: July 20, 2015

FULL PROPOSAL DUE: October 16, 2015

WEBSITE:

[https://www.alexlemonade.org/sites/default/files/2015\\_LOI\\_Psychosocial\\_Guidelines.pdf](https://www.alexlemonade.org/sites/default/files/2015_LOI_Psychosocial_Guidelines.pdf)

### PATIENT CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH INSTITUTE (PCORI)

Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research - Cycle 2 2015

LOI DUE: July 29, 2015

FULL PROPOSAL DUE: November 3, 2015

WEBSITE: <http://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/announcement/improving-methods-conducting-patient-centered-outcomes-research-1>

### FLIGHT ATTENDANT MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC. (FAMRI)

- Clinical Innovator Award Program

- Young Clinical Scientist Award-Faculty Program

FAMRI sponsors scientific and medical research for the early detection, prevention, treatment,

and cure of diseases and medical conditions caused from exposure to tobacco smoke.

LOI DUE: July 30, 2015

FULL PROPOSAL DUE: October 8, 2015

WEBSITE: [https://famri-lois.aibs.org/resources/YCSA\\_faculty\\_RFA\\_LOI\\_2015.pdf](https://famri-lois.aibs.org/resources/YCSA_faculty_RFA_LOI_2015.pdf)

### RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION

-Investigator Award

-Scientist Development Award

DEADLINE: August 3, 2015

WEBSITE: <http://rheumresearch.org/Awards>

### amfAR, THE FOUNDATION FOR AIDS RESEARCH Investment Grants — Exploring HIV persistence and eradication

Supports research by scientists outside the field of HIV that explores the potential for HIV eradication.

LOI DUE: August 13, 2015

WEBSITE: <http://www.amfar.org/Request-for-Proposals-Investment-Grants-Exploring-HIV-persistence-and-eradication/?tr=y&auid=15761682>

### NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Lasker Clinical Research Scholars is an opportunity to leap through the barriers to clinical research by offering protected research time and access to hospital facilities and patient enrollments. Candidates must be willing to explore the limits of their productivity and research independence.

DEADLINE: August 27, 2015

WEBSITE: <http://www.nih.gov/science/laskerscholar/apply.html>

More funding opportunities can be found at:  
<http://medschool.umaryland.edu/career/deadlines.asp>