

RESEARCH
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Thursday, January 21, 2021
4:00 to 5:15 pm
Zoom

Attendees: Elisa Bandera, Adam Berger, Stephen Burley, Willetta Boswell, Chang Chan, Joseph Deodato, Carolyn Heckman, Christian Hinrichs, Howard Hochster, Edmund Lattime, Rita Musanti, Renata Pasqualini, Amber Rottier (Advarra), Talmadge Ruth (Advarra), Sarah Scharf, Zhiyuan Shen, Ioannis Stasinopoulos, Tom Strano, Linda Tanzer, Colleen VanderVeen (Advarra), Eileen White, Yingting Zhang, X.F. Steven Zheng

Agenda

1. Presentation on CCSG data tracking/use/management (Tanzer)

- Linda Tanzer presented on the types of data that are required to be tracked and reported for the CCSG. Her presentation also included the current processes used by Center Administration to collect and curate the data.
- Joseph Deodato and Yingting Zhang, staff from the Rutgers Library System, were in attendance, to learn more about the kind of data on research faculty that needed to be tracked for a core grant.

2. EVAL presentation

- Representatives from Advarra (the vendor for EVAL) presented an overview of the capabilities of EVAL, a platform for CCSG data collection, management, and reporting.
- It was noted that EVAL's "Stories" feature could be useful for COE tracking and reporting.
- There was agreement that the CINJ website needs to have links to members' publications, followed by the question of which platform (e.g. myNCBI, Google Scholar) would give the "best" link.
- The RLC thought that the EVAL system had great fields for publications tracking.
 - o Identifying cancer relevant publications can be guided by keywords provided by the Program Leaders.
- It was noted that a searchable database of the members' areas of expertise would be useful, especially for addressing catchment area needs.
 - o The EVAL platform might be able to be used in that capacity, but members would need EVAL user accounts to do so.

3. FY21 Seed Funding for Large Multi-PI Awards (P or U Grants) RFA (White)

- Dr. White discussed plans for an RFA to be released soon for pilot award funding to support Multi-PI grant efforts, especially those toward P and U grants.
- There was agreement that it is crucial to support these efforts and the RLC approved the RFA.

4. FY22 Pilot Awards planning

- There was agreement that a pilot award for Genomics Research should be offered, as it could help to build consortium collaboration.

- The RLC agreed that PI salaries could not be included in budgets for pilot awards, unless strong justification was given to make the exception and significant outcomes (e.g. high-impact publications, grant submissions, etc.) would be reasonably expected from the pilot award project.
 - A pilot award for conducting catchment area research will be offered in FY22.
5. Shared Resources use updates (Berger/Stasinopoulos) (15 minutes)
 - Dr. Berger provided updates on the Shared Resources and answered questions.
 6. Discussion of 2021 Annual Retreat and Princeton Research Symposium (Lattime) (10 minutes)
 - It was agreed to not hold the Annual Retreat on Cancer Research in New Jersey in 2021, and instead focus efforts on planning and promoting the Fall Princeton Research Symposium.

Next Meeting

Thursday, February 18, 2021 (4:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Zoom)