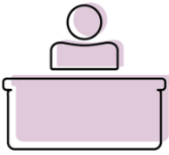
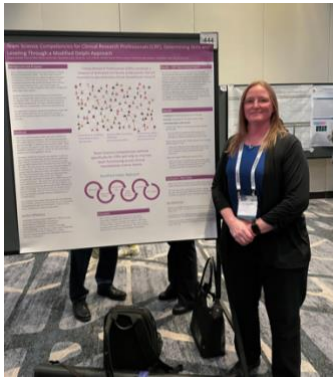


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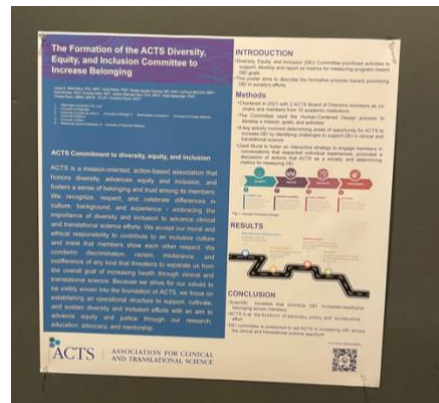
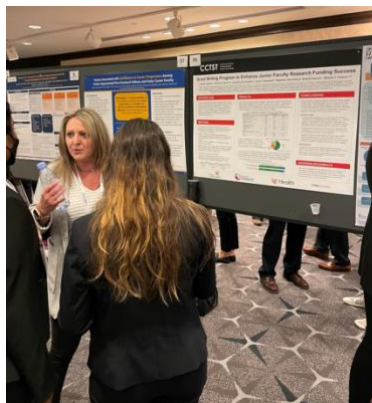
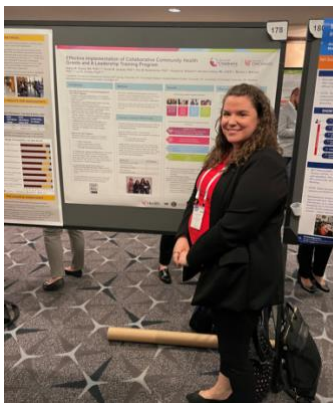
Greetings, and we hope you are enjoying spring!

The Association for Clinical and Translational Science (ACTS) meeting took place April 18-20 in Washington, D.C., and the CCTST was well-represented among the attendees and presenters! We are proud of the CCTST investigators and staff who presented posters, participated in panels, and were engaged in other activities during the meeting.



The following CCTST members presented posters:

- **Jason Blackard, Jackie Knapke, Stephanie Schuckman, Jennifer Veevers, William Hardie, Pat Ryan:** Introducing trainees to research using an online, asynchronous course
- **Stacey Gomes, Lori Crosby, Farrah Jacquez, Kareem Simpson, Kendal Lindsey, Monica Mitchell:** Effective Implementation of Collaborative Community Health Grants and a Leadership Training Program
- **Angela Mendell, Laura Hildreth, Elizabeth Kopras, et al.:** Team Science Competencies for Clinical Research Professionals: Determining Skills and Leveling Through a Modified Delphi Approach
- **Jennifer Veevers, Patrick Ryan, Jackie Knapke, Jason Blackard, Stephanie Schuckman, Brett Kissela, Melanie Cushion:** Grant Writing Program to Enhance Junior Faculty Research Funding Success
- **Jareen Meinzen-Derr et al.:** The Formation of the ACTS Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee to Increase Belonging





In addition, Jareen Meinzen-Derr participated in two panels: **Leveraging Institutional Systems to Drive Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility** and **Being an Ally: What It Means to Be an Ally When Mentoring and Sponsoring Others**. CCTST members also participated in several Special Interest Groups, Workgroups, and the NCATS Steering Committee. **If you are interested in learning more about the 2024 ACTS meeting or getting involved with any of these activities, please contact us!**

Please join us for several special upcoming CCTST events!

The Community Engagement Core invites you to join the **2023 Spring Speaker Series on May 4, 2023 from 3:30pm-5:00pm**, featuring keynote, Jessica Goodkind, PhD, and Martin Ndayisenga, a Senior Community Leader at United Voices for Newcomer Rights. The pair will highlight their lessons learned as a community-academic partnership working toward access to care for the immigrant population. The event will also highlight the [2023 CCTST Community Leaders Institute Class and grantees](#). Zoom meeting information can be found [here](#).

The next **CCTST Learning Health Systems Speaker Series is on Monday, May 15th from 10:00am-11:00am**. The presentation is entitled, "*We the Scientists: How Patient Researchers and Doctors Can Be Partners in Advancing Science and Accelerating Drug Development*". Additional information can be found [here](#).

Don't forget that our **Pilot Translational Research and Innovative Core applications are due May 12th**. For program details, please [click here](#).

Please reach out to us if we can be of any assistance to you.

All our best,

Jessica, Jareen, Jeff, and Achala