

Working Group Breakout Sessions

Rooms on 6th floor of ACS – food will be available in adjacent rooms, with additional space for networking.

Friday | Breakfast

8:00 – 9:20 AM

Don Thomas room

Grants Program Analysis

During this breakout session, the Grants Program Analysis Working Group will share an update on currently available tools and information available to the membership through work of the subgroups. The group will also hold an interactive discussion among attendees that will provide insights into how organizations can effectively implement an evaluation of their program, what a successful evaluation looks like and how it can be used to leverage additional funds, and what difficulties are faced by organizations looking to initiate an evaluation project. Attendees are encouraged to come to the session with their computers, data, and surveys to both share and receive feedback during the interactive discussion. Other questions and experiences to share with the group are also encouraged.

Working Group Co-Chairs

Shannon Gallagher-Colombo, PhD

Assistant Director, Scientific Review and Grants Administration | AACR Foundation

Maneesh Kumar, MD, PhD

Optimized Scientific Solutions, LLC on behalf of Breast Cancer Research Foundation

8:00 – 9:20 AM

Steven Vaughn room

Health Services Research

How can we use what we learn from patient reported outcomes (PROs) in health services research and clinical research to inform pre-clinical research and requests for applications? The Health Services Research (HSR) Working Group will discuss PROs and their role in bridging health services research and pre-clinical/clinical research. We'd like to hear from HRA members that are urging or requiring PROs in clinical or health services research; what are some of the challenges that you're facing in using PROs; and, most importantly, how might we envision facilitating a role for PROs in completing the virtuous cycle from bench to bedside to bench again.

Working Group Co-Chairs

Margaret Flowers, PhD

Director, Scientific Communications and Grants | Breast Cancer Research Foundation

Lynne Garner, PhD

Trustee and President | The Donaghue Foundation

*** Following breakfast breakout sessions, please be seated in the main auditorium promptly at 9:30 AM for the start of the "Open Mic: Exciting and Innovative Activities by HRA Members" session! ***

12:30 – 1:50 PM

Don Thomas room

Data Sharing

Is your organization considering whether to implement a data sharing policy, but you're not sure where to start? Already started the process, but running into challenges? Want to learn more about organizations that currently require data sharing of their grantees? If any of these situations apply, please join us! The goal of this session is twofold: (1) to energize and engage members who want to become active participants in the Data Sharing Working Group, and (2) to begin building a "roadmap" together that outlines steps to draft, implement, and monitor a data policy. The roadmap will include (but is not limited to): getting buy-in from board members; considering parameters for a plan based on an individual organization's goals; drafting the text of a policy; communicating with grantees; selecting data repositories; and revising grant administration policies. In discussing these concrete steps, we will also consider the overall paradigm shift and organizational change management required for successful adoption of a policy. Joining us in conversation and to share their experiences will be Chris Percopo (Director of Grants Management) and Scott Kahn (Data Strategist), who led the effort to institute a data sharing policy at The Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust. After the session, we will compile information and feedback to get a more complete picture of where HRA member organizations are in the process of creating data policies, as well as the type of resources they need. Your feedback will help guide future webinars, discussions, and resource curation, so please bring your questions, suggestions, and ideas!

Working Group Co-Chairs

Salvatore La Rosa, PhD

Chief Scientific Officer | Children's Tumor Foundation

Carole Wegner, PhD, HCLD

Senior VP, Research and Grants Administration | The V Foundation for Cancer Research

12:30 – 1:50 PM

Steven Vaughn room

Drug and Other Therapy Development (DOTR)

The DOTD Working Group helps HRA members identify strategies to accelerate discovery and development of drugs and other therapies in members' areas of interest. Priorities selected in 2018 based on member feedback led to these two goals for 2019:

- Queue up at least one collaboration or consortium involving an HRA member(s) for presentation and discussion as a case study at a members' meeting (if multiple consortia/collaborations are identified, establish a webinar series of brief presentations and summaries as case studies)
- Further curate the Toolkit of Toolkits available on the HRA website (<https://www.healthra.org/resources/drug-and-other-therapy-development-toolkit-of-toolkits-work-in-progress/>)

Your input during this breakout session is important to select one or more collaborations or consortia for the next members' meeting or webinars. We also need to assess if the "toolkit of toolkits" is valuable and on the right track and how to make it more useful and increase the awareness of this resource. Additional ideas for DOTD initiatives are also welcome – bring your creative thinking caps!

Working Group Co-Chair

Steve Roberds, PhD

Chief Scientific Officer | Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance

*** Following lunch breakout sessions, please be seated in the main auditorium promptly at 2:00 PM for the start of the "Evolving Intellectual Property Policy: Overview and Implementation" session! ***