



## ICTS Digest: August 2016

### To: ICTS Members

What's New with the ICTS? Check out the latest information in these areas of our website ([www.icts.wustl.edu](http://www.icts.wustl.edu)):

### Success Stories

Congratulations to Dr. Eric Lenze, Professor of Psychiatry, recipient of a \$13.9 Million grant from the [Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute \(PCORI\)](#) to conduct a pragmatic trial focusing on antidepressant treatment strategies in older adults with [treatment-resistant depression](#). The study will partner with three additional CTSA network hubs and with the University of Toronto to compare the effectiveness of different strategies for improving care and outcomes in the elderly and how aging-related factors affects risks and benefits of these treatment strategies. The ICTS [Research Design & Biostatistics Group \(RDBG\)](#) and the [Dissemination & Implementation Research Core \(DIRC\)](#) will contribute to on-going study design and support to facilitate rapid dissemination and application of study results.

### ICTS Core Highlights

Learn more about the three co-directors in the [Center for Community Health Partnership & Research blog highlight](#).

[Siteman Cancer Center announces](#) that the WU Tissue Procurement Core has received biorepository accreditation by the College of American Pathologists (CAP). View details and benefits of CAP accreditation in the [TPC Spotlight](#).

In a [St. Louis American "Health Matters" feature](#), Dr. Jane Garbutt describes the hazards of e-liquids used in electronic-cigarettes for children and toddlers in the metro area. Discover [study details](#) and learn more about the [WU Pediatric and Ambulatory Care Research Consortium \(WU PAARC\)](#).

### Funding Programs and Announcements

2016 BJHF/ICTS Clinical and Translation Research Funding Program documents are [now available](#) on the ICTS website. The deadline for Letters of Intent is September 12, 2016 (5 p.m.). Scheduled Town Hall Meetings will be held this month:

- University of Missouri – Columbia: **Monday, August 15** from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. in the Acuff Auditorium
- Washington University Medical Center: **Monday, August 22** from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the BJC Institute of Health Conference Room 10AB
- Saint Louis University: **Thursday, August 25** from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the LRC Schwitalla Lecture Hall 1

The ICTS announces support for two grants reviewed and administered through the [IPH Center for Dissemination and Implementation](#) funding programs. See [all funded grants](#).

## Education and Training

The [Office of Training Grants](#) will host the final NIH Mock Study Section of the year on Tuesday, November 15, 2016. All investigators preparing an NIH grant application for the R, K, and F series are encouraged to submit their clinical or translational proposals for this internal review. [Guidelines](#) for Letters of Intent are now available. LOI are due September 9, 2016 by 5:00 CST. Contact [crtc@dom.wustl.edu](mailto:crtc@dom.wustl.edu) for questions or additional information.

## Tracking & Evaluation

The ICTS Tracking & Evaluation team conducts an annual evaluation of ICTS member publications. 2015 publication reports on [productivity](#), [collaboration](#), and [impact](#) are posted on the [ICTS website](#).

## Upcoming Events/Deadlines:

- **August 15:** [BJHF/ICTS RFA Mizzou Town Hall Meeting](#)
- **August 18:** [Zika & Heat Waves](#)
- **August 22:** [WUNDIR Meeting](#)
- **August 22:** [BJHF/ICTS RFA Washington University Town Hall Meeting](#)
- **August 24:** ICTS LINC Meeting
- **August 25:** [Research Professional Development Program](#)
- **August 25:** [BJHF/ICTS RFA Saint Louis University Town Hall Meeting](#)
- **August 26:** [Division of Biostatistics Golden Jubilee Seminar Series](#)
- **August 30:** [Finding Your Compass](#)
- **September 9:** [Division of Biostatistics Golden Jubilee Seminar Series](#)
- **September 12:** BJHF/ICTS RFA Letter of Intent Deadline
- **September 23:** [Division of Biostatistics Golden Jubilee Seminar Series](#)
- **September 27:** [Alan Alda Communicating Science Workshop](#)
- **October 14:** ICTS Operations Committee
- **October 14:** [Division of Biostatistics Golden Jubilee Seminar Series](#)
- **October 24:** BJHF/ICTS RFA Proposal Deadline