RTC Conference Call

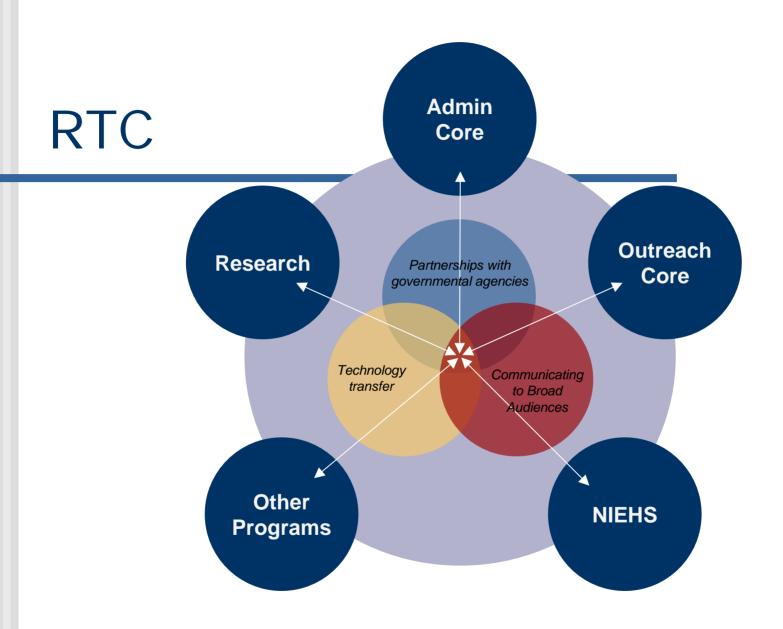


Balancing Scientific Excellence with Research Relevance

August 28, 2006

Agenda

Greeting and "Roll Call"
Description of Research
Translation/SBRP expectation
Partnering with other government
agencies
The RTC – NIEHS Connection
Building an SBRP Research
Translation community
Annual meeting
Next steps



Regional Contacts

- EPA Risk Assessors
- EPA Hazardous Substance Technical Liaisons
- EPA Technical Support Centers
- ATSDR Regional staff
- Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council

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NIEHS Needs

- Press releases
- Investigator awards
- Investigator service on panels and committees
- News for the e-Posted Notes
- Pending publications in high impact journals
- Patents, patent applications and licensing agreements
- Work with EPA to validate analytical methods or remediation technologies

RTC and COC Leaders

University	Outreach Core Leader(s)	Research Translation Core Leader(s)
Boston University	David Ozonoff	David Ozonoff
Brown University	Phil Brown	Eric Suuberg, Phil Brown, Terrence Gray, Robert Vanderslice
Columbia University		James Simpson, Meredith Golden
Dartmouth College	Nancy Serrell	Nancy Serrell
Duke University	Marie Lynn Miranda	Marie Lynn Miranda, Rich Di Giulio
Iowa State	Victoria Persky, David Osterberg	Peter S. Thorne, David Osterberg
Michigan State University		James Trosko

University	Outreach Core Leader(s)	Research Translation Core Leader(s)
Texas A & M University	KC Donnelly	KC Donnelly
University of Arizona	Jim Field, Monica Ramirez	Monica Ramirez, Mark Brusseau
UC-Berkeley		Amy Kyle, Jim Hunt
UC-Davis		Dan Chang
UC-San Diego	Keith Pezzoli	Keith Pezzoli
University of Kentucky	Lisa Gaetke, Sandra Bastin, Thomas Kelly, Lindell Ormsbee	Lindell Ormsbee, Lisa Gaetke
UNC-Chapel Hill		Fred Pfaender, Kathleen Gray
University of Washington	Tom Burbacher, Chetana Acharya	Clem Furlong, Tom Burbacher, Chetana Acharya

Tools to facilitate RTC

- Monthly conference calls
- Chat room "blog"
- RTC E-newsletter
- On-line seminars

Annual Meeting Outline

Monday

	Science Session	RTC/COC
Monday AM	I: GIS Systems and Env. Monitoring	
Monday AM	II: Katrina and the EPA	
Lunch		
Monday PM	III: Toxicogenomics	RTC/COC
Monday PM	IV: Oxidative Stress	RTC/COC
Monday Eve	Poster Session	

Tuesday

	Science Session	RTC/COC	
Tues Am	V: Exposure and Modeling	RTC/COC	
Tues Am	VI: Bioremediation	RTC/COC	
Lunch			
Tues PM	VII: TBD		
Tues PM	Linking Research Translation to Science and Policy		

Possible topics for the Annual Meeting

- 1. Use of the internet for meeting RTC and COC aims
 - (a) session led by Digital Mud Studio, LLC. on RTC/ COC web design and tools (Digital Mud is designing UCSD's SBRP RTC and COC sites)
 - (b) session led by the NIEHS Portal team (re. how to take advantage of the portal's assets, approach, lessons learned for meeting RTC and COC aims)
- 2. Exemplary cases (successful RTC and/or COC efforts)
- 3. How to Link Training to RTC and COC (defining roles for student participation)
- 4. Communications (working with the media, publication, brochures, marketing your program through your Campus External Relations Office, etc)
- 5. Evaluation tools (this would pick up on efforts at previous SBRP meetings to help RTC and COC teams create metrics to measure progress toward their stated aims).
- 6. NIEHS effort to create a national RTC/COC network (a follow up session that picks up on specific challenges raised during Beth's conference call and nascent RTC networking effort nationally)
- 7. Initiative to create a National Bioassay Network (potentially involving four SBRP RTCs in a collective effort to examine applications of molecular biomarker (for testing contaminants in water and sediment). This effort, in partnership with the EPA, may be a good case to discuss regulatory challenges involving the use of "new biology" in site characterization, risk assessment and risk communication. This can also tie into the cross-border work being done in the US-Mexico border region (theme = sharing science across borders for global environmental health).
- 8. Other topics, formats?