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Summary

In the *News and Events* section, we have added the NIMHD SCHARE Whole-Person Chronic Disease Disparities Data Science Grand Challenges, information on LSUHSC's new TigerShark high-performance computing resource, a call for papers on qualitative and mixed methods in translational science, and a recent NIH update on operations under a Continuing Resolution.

In the *Workshops, Webinars, and Short Courses* section, we have added upcoming CCTS Mock Study Section sessions for R01 and K award applications, offering investigators an opportunity to observe NIH-style peer review and learn what reviewers look for in grant applications.

News and Events

-  **NIMHD SCHARE Whole-Person Chronic Disease Disparities Data Science Grand Challenges**
 - Three challenges:
 - Reimagine data integration and computations. [Details](#).
 - Build and validate digital twins and synthetic populations. [Details](#).
 - Create smart devices and sensing technologies. [Details](#).
 - Each challenge offers a total prize purse of **\$1 million, distributed** across multiple awards and phases.

- [Explore the Grand Challenges and register to participate](#)
-  [TigerShark](#) | LSUHSC High-Performance Computing Resource
 - Newly built high-performance computing resources available to LSUHSC investigators, faculty, staff, students and collaborators.
-  [Call for Papers: The Qualitative Dimensions of Translational Science](#) | The Journal of Clinical and Translational Science invites manuscripts demonstrating how qualitative and mixed methods approaches inform action and improve translational research.
 - Submissions are due: May 31, 2027
-  [NOT-OD-26-131](#) | NIH Operates Under a Continuing Resolution
- **CCTS Clinical & Translational Science Pilot Program** | The CCTS Partner Network invites applications for pilot projects addressing barriers to translating research into improved health and healthcare delivery.
 - [Pre-application due October 19, 2026, at 5 PM CT.](#)
- LDH Press Release: [LDH encourages talking to students about the risks of vaping | Louisiana Department of Health](#)
- The 4th annual Dr. Joseph M. Moerschbaeche III **Graduate Research Day**
 - **November 12 & 13, 2026**
 - Lions Building, 1st floor
- Access Health Donor Blood Samples Through the [UAB Healthy Donor Cohort](#) | Investigators across the CCTS Partner Network can request fresh blood samples from the UAB Healthy Donor Cohort, which includes more than 1,100 healthy adult volunteers.
 - External investigators must provide institutional IRB approval and may receive fresh samples or use CCTS SPAN processing services.
 - [Submit a request](#)

- OMH Drive is Now Live | The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) [Office of Minority Health](#) (OMH) is pleased to announce the launch of the [Data Resources and Integrated Visualization Ecosystem Dashboard \(DRIVE\)](#) – a user-friendly data visualization tool designed to help better understand [non-medical drivers](#) of health across populations and geographic locations.

- **Research Cafe | SoM COREs**
 - **October 13, 2026, 12:00 PM**
 - **CSRB 366**

- [NOT-OD-26-113](#) | Request for Information: Draft NIH Policy on Sharing Summary Level Study Results with Clinical Research Participants
 - [Comments](#) will be accepted until October 26, 2026

- **The 21st ADACE Scientific Meeting** | The LSUHSC Alcohol & Drug Abuse Center of Excellence and Louisiana Cancer Research Center invite you to attend this co-sponsored event: **Alcohol Efforts on Cancer Risk & Progression**. [Register](#)
 - Monday, December 7, 2026, from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
 - HDC 130

- [NOT-OD-26-112](#) | Request for Comment: Draft NIH Biosafety Policy for Research Involving Biohazards.
 - [Responses](#) will be accepted through October 19, 2026

- [NOT-OD-26-088](#) | Request for Information on Proposed Changes to Reporting Outcomes from NIH Peer Review.
 - [Comments](#) should be received by October 13, 2026.

- NIH All of Us Research Program | [First-Ever Access to All of Us Biospecimens](#) | X01 Resource Access Award to analyze de-identified serum, plasma, and genomic DNA from the All of Us Biobank. [Details. PAR-27-069.](#)
 - The award provides biospecimen access, not research funding
 - Application Deadline: **Oct 30, 2026**

- **Faculty Interests Database** | To foster interprofessional collaboration across schools within LSU Health New Orleans, please take a few minutes to add or update your profile, share your interests and expertise in the [LSUHSC Faculty Interests Database. Instructions.](#)

- **Planning to Submit a Grant Application?**
 Please visit our [Grant Application Procedure](#) website for information and resources related to the grant application process, including the **ROPH Grant Application Form**, the **ORS Notice of Intent (NOI) Form**, **grant application procedures**, and other **helpful grant preparation guidance**. We strongly encourage faculty and investigators to use this webpage as a central resource when planning or preparing an upcoming grant application.

- **Call for Papers: The Qualitative Dimensions of Translational Science** | Journal of Clinical and Translational Science invites manuscripts on qualitative and mixed-methods approaches in translational research.
 - [Submission deadline: May 31, 2027](#)

- The LSUHSC SPH Research Office has many resources to support research, please visit the [Resources website](#) for more information.

- READ (Research, Evaluation, Analysis, and Design) Center at the LSU School of Public Health (SPH) brings together all SPH faculty, staff, and students to offer comprehensive services supporting research and community health initiatives in Population Health. For more details, please visit our [website](#).

Workshops, Webinars, and Short Courses:

-  [CCTS Mock Study Section](#) | Observe NIH peer review and learn what reviewers look for in grant applications. [Register](#).
 - R01 Review: **October 13, 1:00–2:30 PM**
 - K Grant Review: **October 22, 1:00–2:30 PM**
- **CCTS K Award “Boot Camp” Series:** Tips for writing a successful Career Development Award. [Register](#).
 - “Writing a Training Plan” – **Tuesday, October 6, 2026, 12:00 – 1:00 PM**
- **CCTS Research Training Program (RTP)** | a free, in-depth program covering essential areas of research, featuring key leaders over six sessions.
 - Tuesday, October 20 – December 1, 1:00 – 4:30 PM
 - [Register](#) for RTP by October 13, 2026, at 5 PM
- [NISS AI, Statistics & Data Science in Practice Webinar](#) Series this Fall 2026. Register for Full Series on Zoom.
 - Time: **11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**
 - October 20, 2026: Steve Sain, Jupiter Intelligence
 - November 20, 2026: AI Advancing Business for ROIs, Outcomes, and Impact
 - December 15, 2026: Quantifying and Correcting Measurement Error in LLM-Generated Classifications
- [NIGMS Information Webinar](#) | Instrumentation Grant Program for Resource-Limited Institutions (RLI-S10)
 - Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2:00 – 3:30 PM

- Microsoft Teams link:
<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/248749923063272?p=Xle40Ug1ESvVjD7jPz>
- New Format for [Research Orientation Program](#) (ROP) | Combines five self-paced online modules with a required interactive live session.
 - [Start](#) anytime, complete the coursework
 - Attend the next live session on October 22
- [NIGMS Information Webinar](#) | NIGMS Biomedical Technology Optimization and Dissemination (BTOD) Centers Program
 - Wednesday, October 28, 2026
 - 2:00 – 3:30 PM
 - Microsoft Teams:
<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/29801579923460?p=1SemByN6ihyA8vIC0p>
- Register Now for the **2026 CCTS Translational Science Symposium!** [Details](#).
 - **October 28-30** at Lodge at Gulf State Park
 - [Registration](#) closes at **5 PM on October 16, 2026**
 - Submissions for [posters](#) and [3MT presentations](#) are now open!
- [NIGMS Information Webinar](#) | Basic Biomedical Predoctoral T32 Training Programs
 - Date: Thursday, October 29, 2026, 1:30 – 3:00 PM
 - Microsoft Teams link:
<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/299023624879748?p=pPcDKSPXvLoxvOC8Hm>
- The NCI Office of Data Sharing presents the [Fourth Annual Data Sharing Symposium](#) | Data to Discovery: Leveraging Cancer Data in the “Real World”
 - Day 1: Thursday, November 5, 2026, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 - Day 2: Friday, November 6, 2026, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
 - Location: Hybrid – NCI Shady Grove and Virtual ([Registration](#) required)

○ ~~Abstract Submission Deadline: Tuesday, Sept 1, 2026~~

- CCTS [Grant Writing Intensive \(GRIT\)](#) Program
 - Spring application cycle:
 - Application Due: November 30 at midnight
- **OHRP free online human subjects research training program** in 5 lessons with completion certificates for NIH-funded human subjects research, investigators, and key personnel. [Link](#). **Expiration date: 11/30/2026.**

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