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## NEW ORLEANS

# School of Public Health

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Dear SoPH Community,

In this edition of our newsletter, we're excited to share some new workshops, webinars, and updated grant information:

## NEWS

- The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will establish an ad hoc committee to assess the use of the social constructs of race and ethnicity in biomedical research. The study will evaluate how racialized group and ethnic categories are currently used in biomedical research, review existing guidance for researchers on the use of race as a variable, and provide recommendations to guide the scientific community in the future use of race and ethnicity in biomedical research. [More.](#)
- It was both fun and an honor to share some good times over the past few days with you at our national conference. Warmest congratulations to those who presented and to those who received

awards! You are all truly are the best.



- Notice to Clarify Instructions for NIDA's Career Development Award Salary Limits (NOT-DA-24-053). [More.](#)
- Solicitation of Nominations for the 2024 National Human Genome Research Institutes Bettie J. Graham Leadership Award ([NOT-HG-25-008](#)).

## Workshops, Webinars, and Short Courses:

- OCS Director's Series - Precision Integrative Medicine for Cancer Survivors will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM. [\[Register\]](#).
- The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) will host an informational webinar on Thursday, November 14, 2024, 1:00 - 2:30 PM ET, to provide guidance to NIGMS award recipients on how to effectively complete an annual Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) ([NOT-GM-25-006](#)). NIGMS will explain each section of the annual RPPR, covering the basics, including helpful tips and reminders. [Link](#).
- The webinar "Insights into the Efficiency and Benefits of Staircase Cluster Randomized Trial Designs" will be hold **on November 5, 2024, at 4:00-5:00 p.m. ET**. In this talk, Dr. Grantham provides insights into the efficiency and potential benefits of staircase designs to build a deeper understanding of these designs and inform design choice. [More](#). [\[Registration\]](#).
- The Emory Specialized Center of Research Excellence (SCORE) is hosting its 5th annual workshop on "How to Incorporate Sex and Gender as Variables in your Research" **on Friday, January 17, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM** via Zoom. [\[More\]](#).
- The webinar "Social Connections and Cancer Survivorship" will be hold on Thursday, **October 31, 2024 (2:00 p.m. - 3:00p.m. ET)**. In this webinar, speakers will present findings and discuss methodologies for examining the role of social connection in cancer survivorship. The presentations will highlight how basic biobehavioral and psychological research can be used to discover mechanisms through which social resources can promote resilience and be leveraged in interventions to improve cancer control outcomes among medically underserved populations. [More](#). [\[Registration\]](#).
- The webinar "Decoding the Cellular Aging Landscape: Insights into Cancer Susceptibility and Treatment Tolerance" will be hold on Monday, **November 4, 2024 (1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. ET)**. Dr. Mark LaBarge will discuss his work investigating how aging-related epigenetic changes in the luminal cells of the mammary gland can lead to increased susceptibility to breast cancer, and why this knowledge offers opportunities for breast cancer prevention and early detection. Dr. Alexandra Binder will describe the use of epigenetic clocks, a surrogate for biological age, to predict chemotherapy tolerance among colon cancer patients and the promise of a resistance training intervention to maintain or build muscle mass in reducing the rate of epigenetic aging during chemotherapy. [More](#). [\[Registration\]](#).

- Notice of Information: Technical Assistance Webinars for [RFA-NS-25-024](#) “Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Intermediate Patient Population Expanded Access (U01 Clinical Trial Required) will be hosting pre-application, technical assistance webinars on Tuesday, October 29, from 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM (Eastern Time) and on Tuesday, December 3, from 2 PM – 3 PM (Eastern Time). [More Information](#).
- On November 13, NIH will hold a two-part webinar series for community health organizations on Demystifying AI and Empowering Community Impact. This series will prepare community health organizations to contribute to ethical and equitable AI-driven health research. Each 1-hour event in the series will begin at 2 PM Eastern Time. November 13, 2024: NIH staff will explain how AI-driven research is conducted and the specific ways that community organizations can participate in the process. [Interested colleagues can register here to participate!](#)
- 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](#). [More](#). [Expiration date:11/30/2026](#).

## Grant Opportunities:

- [Grant-Opportunities 11042024.pdf \(lsuhsc.edu\)](#)

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