

About Us

Leveraging world-class partnerships and cross-disciplinary teams, we aim to eliminate cancer through:

- Effective prevention
- Improved diagnostics and treatments
- Fundamental insights in the biology of disease

Funding Opportunities

(Coming Soon!)

CCSG/STTR Early Phase Clinical Research Support

ITHS News

Registration is now open for the 2019 Clinical Research Boot Camp!

[Read more & Register](#)

Citing the Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG)

On behalf of Cancer Consortium Director, Gary Gilliland, we kindly remind you to acknowledge the CCSG in your publications. The level of funding we receive on this grant is determined by the science it supports, and that, in turn, is determined by acknowledging its use. You can find [citation guidelines](#) on the Cancer Consortium website.



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CCSG COMPETING RENEWAL CYCLE COMPLETED

On May 29th, 2019, the Cancer Consortium hosted a committee of 20 NCI reviewers and 3 NCI staff on the Fred Hutch campus for the CCSG Competing Renewal Site Visit. The Site Visit, which lasted a full day and included presentations by all of the Consortium Research Programs and Shared Resources, was the culmination of 2 years of planning and hard work on the part of Consortium leadership and the Administrative team. Dr. Gary Gilliland and the Consortium Executive Committee were pleased with how the day unfolded with the site reviewers. We expect that our final score from NCI will be received by mid-August.

DEVELOPMENTAL FUND AWARD RESULTS ANNOUNCED

The Cancer Consortium is pleased to announce the results of its annual Developmental Funds Award Competitions. This year, the Consortium was able to provide 15 awards totaling \$1.34M. Please join us in congratulating this year's Pilot Award and New Investigator Award recipients!

2019 Pilot Awardees

Shreeram Akilesh, MD, PhD (UW)
Rachel Ceballos, PhD (FH)

2019 Safeway Pilot Awardees

Taran Gujral, PhD (FH)
Anna Halpern, MD (UW)
Salene Jones, PhD (FH)
Scott Kennedy, PhD (UW)
John Lee, MD, PhD (FH)
Kathryn Lowry, MD (UW)
Parth Shah, PharmD, PhD (FH)
David Shechner, PhD (UW)

2019 Catchment Area Health Pilot Awardee

Eric Chow, MD, MPH (FH)

2019 New Investigator Awardees

Heather Gustafson, PhD (SCRI)
Teresa Kim, MD (UW)
Susan Bullman, PhD (FH)
Gavin Ha, PhD (FH)

FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

Updates and Announcements from the OCOE:

- The [2019 Community Health Needs Assessment: A Report to the Community](#) is now publicly available.
- Small grants have been awarded to three community-based organizations through the annual Community Grants Program. [Read more here.](#)
- The OCOE hosted its annual [Pathways to Equity Symposium](#) on May 10, 2019.
- Cristina Del Alma and India Ornelas received the annual Beti Thompson Awards at the Pathways to Equity Symposium. [More information available here.](#)
- Thanks to a gift from the Vadon Foundation of an inflatable colon, the Community Health Educators launched the [colorectal cancer education campaign](#).
 - Help us name the colon! <https://is.gd/NameTheColon>

New Community Health Educators (CHEs)

The Office of Community Outreach and Engagement is pleased to announce the onboarding of four new Community Health Educators. These individuals will be working closely with Kathy Briant to connect with underserved communities and work towards decreasing gaps in health care and cancer information resources.

	<p>Liszet Ariana Bigelow, MSW Liszet is the CHE for Urban Populations. Originally from Arizona, Liszet's recent history includes doing work with Pierce County Accountable Community of Health. In her role as Community Engagement Coordinator, she helped lead the Community Voice Council, a council made up of Medicaid recipients who discussed barriers and facilitators to accessing good quality healthcare under Medicaid.</p>
	<p>Craig Dee, BA Craig is the CHE for Indigenous Communities. He was born and raised on the Navajo Nation. He has been engaged with local Indigenous communities on Public Health and behavioral health platforms to address and integrate suicide prevention programs. While promoting resiliency and utilizing an Indigenous approach, he led educational training, programming and prevention efforts to help lower suicide ideation and behavior among Indigenous communities.</p>
	<p>Danté Morehead, MPH Danté is the CHE for African-American Communities. He comes to us by way of Raleigh, NC. His diverse work in community health and research includes a position at the Pacific Science Center, Community Health Program Coordinator in Raleigh, and a research assistant at the University of Illinois. His work has been focused on community health and ways to address or improve health outcomes and disparities for underserved populations.</p>
	<p>Dillon Brian van Rensburg, CHES Dillon is the CHE for rural communities in our catchment area. A Washington native, he has worked at Swedish Cancer Institute's Cancer Education Center as well as the Sea Mar Community Health Center.</p>

FROM THE CONSORTIUM SHARED RESOURCES

Cellular Imaging Shared Resource

New Services & Equipment: The Cellular Imaging Shared Resource has recently added a state-of-the-art Leica SP8 spectral confocal microscope with white light laser and five detection channels, including three highly sensitive hybrid HyD detectors. The system offers total freedom in the choice of excitation and detection channels and includes Leica's Lightning super-resolution modality, which can achieve 120-130 nm lateral resolution for superb images. A STED upgrade is under consideration that would further push resolution to 50 nm or less. The Shared Resource has also purchased a LaVision Ultramicroscope light sheet system to support imaging of large cleared tissues. We expect the system to be delivered this summer.

Staffing Updates: Support for image analysis has been enhanced through the addition of an image analysis scientist, Dr. Julien Dubrulle. Dr. Dubrulle reports to the Director of Genomics and Bioinformatics but will have an office in and collaborate closely with the Cellular Imaging Core. Dr. Julio Vazquez, Director of the Cellular Imaging Shared Resource, will be stepping down after leading Cellular Imaging for 16 years. The search for a new Cellular Imaging Director is underway.

Genomics & Bioinformatics Shared Resource

New Services & Equipment: In collaboration with Dr. Steve Henikoff's group, we are now offering high-throughput autoCUT&RUN services. For more information, please contact Phil Corrin (pcorrin@fredhutch.org). In addition, our Gene Modulation Technologies services have expanded to include CRISPR/Cas9 technology consulting and support. (For details, please see [here.](#)) To support the need for morphometry and quantitative image analyses, we have partnered with the Cellular Imaging Shared Resource to offer support. For more information, please see [here.](#)

Staffing Updates: Pritha Chanana, MS, has joined the bioinformatics team. Pritha comes to us from the Mayo Clinic, where she worked as a bioinformatician for the past 4 years.