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RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Katherine Ross-Driscoll

Assistant Professor
Division of Transplantation at
Emory University School of Medicine
and
Department of Epidemiology at
Rollins School of Public Health

Dr. Ross-Driscoll is recognized for her work as an epidemiologist and health science researcher. Her research focuses on the influence that access to care and quality of care has on racial, socioeconomic, and geographic disparities in outcomes among patients with end-stage liver disease (ESLD). Her work currently focuses on improving access to and outcomes from solid organ transplantation as a member of the Transplant Health Services and Outcomes Research Program and the Health Services Research Center at Emory.

In 2020, Dr. Ross-Driscoll was awarded a NIMHD F31 Grant to examine determinants of racial disparities in hospitalization and mortality outcomes among liver transplant recipients. In addition, her health services research has received numerous research awards, including the Young Innovator Award and the Young Investigator Award from the American Society of Transplant Surgeons.

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TUNE IN FOR...

Southeast Regional Clinical and Translational Science Conference

Virtual Conference presented by Georgia CTSA

03/04/2021 - 03/05/2021 | 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM ET

This multi-day conference will feature talks from top researchers across the region, dynamic poster sessions, breakout sessions on hot topics such as health equity, infectious disease, and health services, and multiple opportunities for networking.

Keynote Speakers:



Dr. Sandro Galea

“The Contagion Next Time: Health and Health Inequities After COVID-19”

Dr. Galea is a physician, epidemiologist, and the dean and Robert A. Knox Professor at Boston University School of Public Health. His research focuses on the intersection of social and psychiatric epidemiology, with a focus on the behavioral health consequences of trauma, including those caused by firearms.



Dr. Cato T. Laurencin

“The IDEAL Path: Addressing Black Racial Health Disparities and Black Racial Equity”

Dr. Laurencin is an engineer, physician, scientist, and a University Professor of the University of Connecticut. His research focuses on biomaterials, regenerative engineering, nanotechnology, developmental biology, stem cell technology, biophysics. His work also focuses on issues regarding diversity, health disparities including HIV/AIDS, and workforce issues as they impact diversity.

Conference Registration: \$35 per person, \$20 for trainees

Register [here](#).

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TUNE IN FOR..

Health Services Research Center Seminar

**“Using evaluative frameworks to assess implementation outcomes:
Lessons in school mental health for students with autism”**

**Presented by Dr. Katherine Pickard
Wed |03/17/2021 | 4 PM - 5 PM EST**

Register here:

[https://zoom.us/meeting/register/
tJUucOGgrjspH9Px668FM9TH7GF
WH73154-P](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUucOGgrjspH9Px668FM9TH7GF)



Dr. Pickard is an Assistant Professor in the Division of Autism and Related Disorders in the Department of Pediatrics at Emory University School of Medicine. Her research focuses on autism spectrum disorder, community engagement, and dissemination and implementation.

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TUNE IN FOR...

Network for Evaluation and Implementation Sciences at Emory (NEISE) Speaker Series

Sponsored by the Woodruff Health Sciences Center and
the Health Services Research Center

"Selecting and Applying Implementation Theories, Models, and Frameworks"

Presented by Dr. Sarah Birken
Tues |03/09/2021 | 12PM - 1PM EST

Register here:
<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUqf-6grTguGNLCKfoBXQv8TxIhoXH9QSW9>



Sarah Birken, PhD, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Implementation Science in the School of Medicine and a Member of Wake Forest Baptist Health's Comprehensive Cancer Center at Wake Forest University. Dr. Birken's research focuses on translating evidence into practice. Specifically, she studies middle managers' role in implementing evidence-based practices, the implementation of innovations in cancer care, and the selection and application of implementation theories. Dr. Birken also co-hosts *AcaDames*, a podcast about women in academia.

Visit the NEISE website [here](#).



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TUNE IN FOR...

Addressing Social Needs to Improve Health

Virtual Conversation presented by Penn LDI & PolicyLab at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Panelists include Jorge Delva, PhD, MSW, Caroline Fichtenberg, PhD, and Kathleen Noonan, JD, moderated by Rachel Werner, MD, PhD

Fri |03/05/2021| 12:00 PM ET

The panelists will discuss community-based approaches that target social needs to more effectively promote health and health equity.

Register for the webinar [here](#).

Emory Global Perioperative Health Alliance's Spring Symposium

**Virtual Symposium sponsored by the Emory Global Perioperative
Health Alliance**

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Robert Riviello

03/06/2021 - 03/07/2021| 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM ET

The event will highlight the importance of partnership among professionals of all backgrounds and cultures to ensure safe surgical care globally.

More detailed information and registration are available on the [website](#).

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TUNE IN FOR...

2021 AAS/SUS Surgical Investigators' Course: The Grant Writing Virtual Workshop

An intensive course designed to support your successful attainment of extramural grant funding.

Fri | 03/05/2021 | 10:15 AM - 5:30 PM EST

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Learning the essential elements of a successful research proposal and how funding agencies work.
- Obtaining an insider's view of the grant review process within a study section.
- Garnering feedback and guidance on your current grant proposal.

Conference Registration: \$150

More information and registration information can be found [here](#).

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UPCOMING EVENTS

William C. Wood Research Symposium

Department of Surgery Research Day

The Annual William C. Wood Research Symposium showcases the basic and clinical science research of all trainees in the Emory Department of Surgery. Participation is open to medical students, residents, and fellows; trainees in a dedicated laboratory rotation are encouraged to submit their research and attend the Symposium.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sandra L. Wong.

Thurs |04/01/2021



Dr. Wong is the Chair of Surgery at Dartmouth-Hitchcock and the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth and Senior Vice President of the Surgical Service Line at Dartmouth-Hitchcock. Her research focuses on prognostic modeling for melanoma, socioeconomic disparities, and factors related to the quality of cancer care. Dr. Wong is also an expert in the development and implementation of clinical practice guidelines and advises on health policy and technology evaluation nationally.

For additional information or questions, please contact Roxanne Eddy at Roxanne.joanne.eddy@emory.edu

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2021 AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting

Virtual conference of health services researchers, policy analysts, clinicians, and community members using evidence and data to transform health and health care. Attendees will have the opportunity to build connections, recognition, reflection, learning, and professional networking opportunities.

06/14/2021 - 06/17/2021

More information can be found [here](#). The deadline for Late-Breaking Abstract Submissions is **Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. ET, to the [online application](#).**

Antiracism as Health Policy: Race, COVID-19, and Policy Reform

Presented by BU School of Public Health

This series of panels will examine the racial disparities in health brought vividly to public attention during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Part I - Data, race, and COVID-19

Mon |04/05/2021| 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM EST

Part II - Connecting research and policy

Tues |04/06/2021| 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM EST

Part II - Antiracist policy solutions

Wed |04/07/2021| 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM EST

More information and free registration here:

[Part I](#), [Part II](#), [Part III](#)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Georgia CTSA, 5th Biennial Forum, One Georgia: Advancing Health Equity Amidst a New Normal

A virtual forum to develop and sustain successful and mutually beneficial, community-university research partnerships that improve population health.

04/01/2021 - 04/02/2021 | 8:00 AM ET

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Discuss research designed to improve community health and healthcare systems across Georgia.
- Explore ways to utilize technology to reach underserved populations and promote health equity.
- Identify policy and systems change methods to promote healthy communities.
- Learn about resources from the Georgia CTSA Community Engagement program to support community-academic partnerships in conducting translational research to improve health in Georgia and beyond.

Register for the forum [here](#).

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WEBINARS

Emory School of Medicine Grand Rounds

School of Medicine Grand Rounds occur every Tuesday from 12PM - 1PM.

Subscribe to the Grand Round mailing list here:

<https://med.emory.edu/departments/medicine/education/cme-grand-rounds.html>

Department of Surgery Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds occur every Thursday from 7AM - 8AM.

To be added to the email list for the monthly grand rounds schedules, contact Sean Moore, Communications Manager for the Department of Surgery, at srmoore@emory.edu.

Surgical Grand Rounds can be viewed remotely at:

- Grady Memorial Hospital, Sherman Conference Room, 3rd floor, Glenn Building
- Emory Johns Creek Hospital, Administrative Conference Room
- Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital, Education Center, Classroom 4
- Emory University Hospital Midtown, Davis Fischer Building, Classroom 3

Information on upcoming Surgical Grand Rounds can be found [here](#).

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

7th Annual Health Services Research Day

Virtual symposium and networking opportunity for researchers across Georgia to learn about ongoing quality, effectiveness, and value-based research activities.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michael Chernew

Wed | 05/05/2021 | 8 AM - 1 PM EST

Registration is required. Register [here](#).



Dr. Chernew is the Leonard D. Schaeffer Professor of Health Care Policy and the Director of the Healthcare Markets and Regulation Lab in the Department of Health Care Policy at Harvard Medical School. His research centers on examining several areas related to improving the health care system including studies of novel benefit designs, Medicare Advantage, alternative payment models, low-value care, and the causes and consequences of rising health care spending.

Call for Abstracts:

Oral and poster presentations will be selected from submitted abstracts.

Abstracts are due **by March 8, 2021, to the [online submission form](#).**

Selected abstracts will be notified by April 2021.

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

2021 Surgical and Perioperative Care Interest Group Meeting

The Surgical and Perioperative Care Interest Group is seeking abstracts to be considered for oral presentations of completed work at the Interest Group's annual meeting, to be held during the 2021 virtual AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. All research focusing on surgical quality, outcomes, workforce issues, economics, and related health services and policy will be welcomed.

Submission Criteria:

- Abstracts from surgeons, anesthesiologists, hospitalists, perioperative nurses, health services researchers, or investigators from related clinical areas are all encouraged
- Residents, fellows, and junior faculty are particularly encouraged to apply
- Abstracts may be up to 500 words and may include one image or table, which will not count toward the word limit.
- Abstracts will be evaluated based on quality and originality; appropriateness and/or novelty of analytic methods; implications for the delivery of surgical and perioperative care; and clarity of writing and presentation

Applications are due by **5:00 pm (EST) on March 19, 2021, to the online application portal**. Abstracts will be selected for either 15-minute oral presentations or 5-minute oral presentations.

For additional information or questions, contact Jennifer Cooper at jennifer.cooper@nationwidechildrens.org.

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Investigator-Initiated Seed Grants in Healthcare Innovation Focus: Dealing with Pandemics

The Emory-Georgia Tech Healthcare Innovation Program (HIP), in partnership with the Emory Synergy Award Program, Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance (Georgia CTSA), Emory Healthcare Innovation Hub, Emory Health Services Research (HSR) Center, Winship Cancer Institute (Winship), Emory+Children's Pediatrics Institute, and Georgia Institute of Technology is pleased to announce the sixteenth round of research seed grants in Healthcare Innovation. Seed grants will fund multi-investigator & multi-disciplinary teams examining healthcare services and clinical effectiveness. Awards will support innovative approaches that address issues of healthcare quality, costs, and/or access that are consistent with the goals of HIP. Research studies in health services and clinical effectiveness will be considered involving adult and/or pediatric patients.

Eligibility:

- A minimum of two faculty investigators from different academic units (e.g., schools or departments) at Emory, Georgia Tech, Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM), Georgia State University (GSU)
- At least one medical or nursing staff member at Emory Healthcare, Children's, Grady, and/or the Atlanta VAMC. The hospital staff member may be represented by one of the university faculty.

Funding will amount to \$25,000 for no more than one year. Letters of Intent are due by **6 pm (EST) on March 15, 2021, to the [online form](#)**.

For questions about the grant, contact Maryam Carn at Maryam.carn@emory.edu.

See the attachment below for more information.

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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - 2021 Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program

The Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program (AMFDP) offers four-year postdoctoral research awards to physicians, dentists, and nurses from historically marginalized backgrounds. Scholars should be committed to working toward eliminating health disparities by achieving senior rank in academic medicine, dentistry, or nursing.

Eligibility:

- Are from historically marginalized backgrounds
- U.S. citizens, permanent residents at the time of application, or individuals granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at the time of application
- Completing or have completed their formal clinical training. Preference will be given to those who have recently completed their formal clinical training or their research doctorate)
- Are not related by blood or marriage to any Officer or Trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, or a descendant of its founder, Robert Wood Johnson.

RWJF will fund up to 10 four-year awards of up to \$420,000 each. Scholars will receive an annual stipend of up to \$75,000 each, complemented by a \$30,000 annual grant to support research activities.

Applications are due by **3 pm (EST) on March 17, 2021, to the [online application portal](#).**

For more information or application questions, contact Connor Cook at connor.cook@emory.edu or visit the [website](#).

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Georgia CTSA Request for Proposals Biostatistics, Epidemiology & Research Design Grants

Georgia CTSA's Biostatistics, Epidemiology & Research Design (BERD) program is soliciting proposals to support novel methodological research in biostatistics, epidemiology, or health services research and related areas to advance clinical and translational research (CTR). Review criteria include: (i.) quantitative methodological research to fill gaps in CTR; (ii.) innovation; (iii.) feasibility; and (iv.) plans for dissemination and translation of results. New investigators are encouraged to apply; meritorious applications from new investigators will be prioritized for funding.

Eligibility:

- Full-time faculty from Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Morehouse School of Medicine, and the University of Georgia may submit proposals. One proposal may be submitted per faculty member. Proposals involving collaborations among Georgia CTSA partners are encouraged. Junior faculty are encouraged to apply.
- Any faculty member who has a current grant with overlapping aims is not eligible to apply.
- Sub-contracts to Georgia CTSA-affiliated entities such as Children's Healthcare of Atlanta are allowed with justification.

Applications are due by **5:00 pm on March 31, 2021, to the online application**.

For additional information or questions, contact Bekeela Davila at bekeela.davila@emory.edu

See the attachment below for more information.



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Georgia CTSA Mission Statement - The institutions of the Georgia CTSA leverage their *complementary* strengths to accelerate clinical and translational education, research, and community engagement to impact health in Georgia and beyond.

Funding - As many as two awards of up to \$20,000 each in total direct costs. The total of number of awards to be made is variable based on merit, funds requested, and BERD budget.

Eligibility – Full-time faculty from Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Morehouse School of Medicine, and the University of Georgia may submit proposals. One proposal may be submitted per faculty member. Proposals involving collaborations among Georgia CTSA partners are encouraged. Junior faculty are encouraged to apply. Any faculty member who has a current grant with overlapping aims is not eligible to apply. Sub-contracts to Georgia CTSA-affiliated entities such as Children's Healthcare of Atlanta are allowed with justification.

Note: All pilot project recipients will be eligible for the **Georgia CTSA Award of Distinction in Team Science** – “To further promote collaboration, the Georgia CTSA Executive Oversight Council will award an annual Award of Distinction in Team Science during their annual meeting to Georgia CTSA investigators who, through their multi-institutional, multi-disciplinary collaborations, have made a profound impact in CTR.”

Timeline

March 31, 2021 at 5:00 PM – proposals due

Early May 2021 – applicant award notification

July 1, 2021 – earliest anticipated start date

June 30, 2022 – end date **(Investigators may NOT apply for a no-cost extension.)**

Application Information

Invited applicants should submit the following materials using the [online application](#) no later than 5:00 PM (no exceptions) on **Wednesday, March 31, 2021**:

Each of the following items should be uploaded as PDF documents. (Please avoid scanning text documents to create PDFs.) To resume completing a saved application or view a submitted application, click [here](#).

- Title Page
 - Must include title of the proposal
 - PI name, degree(s), title(s) and institution
 - Indicate if PI is a new investigator who has not previously received funding from NIH as PI on a competitive grant
 - Research teams' names, degrees, titles and institutions
 - Summary/Abstract (500 words maximum)
- Specific Aims: *Maximum one page.*
- Research Strategy: Must include sections for Significance, Innovation, and Approach. *Maximum 3 pages. References not included in page limit.*
- Revised applications should include responses from the previous review. *Maximum 1 page.*
- Biosketches: Include NIH-style biosketches for key personnel. Please use [this template](#).
 - Biosketch instructions [here](#)
- IRB or IACUC Approval Letter OR select "pending" from the drop-down menu on the online form. ***IRB or IACUC protocols must have been submitted prior to submission of this pilot award application.*** IRB/IACUC approval for proposals selected for funding must be received by May 15, 2021.
- Projected budget* using this [template](#). A separate budget page should be submitted for each institution that will incur costs on behalf of this project.
- Budget Justification
- Provide sufficient detail to demonstrate how proposed pilot grant is a new project and that it does not overlap with existing funded projects from the listed team of investigators.
 - Pilot grants support new projects, not extensions or variations of an existing project, and are not for bridge funding of previously funded work.

Application formatting:

- Use paper size no larger than 8 ½" x 11"
- Provide at least one-half inch margins (top, bottom, left, and right) for all pages
- Font size must be 11 points or larger (smaller text in figures, graphs, diagrams, and charts is acceptable as long as it is legible when the page is viewed at 100%)
- Text color must be black (color text in figures, graphs, diagrams, charts, tables, footnotes, and headings is acceptable)
- The following fonts are acceptable: Arial, Calibri, Times New Roman

Click [here](#) for guidance on the Summary/Abstract, Specific Aims, Research Strategy, Budget and Budget Justification.

***Funding Limits and Budgeting Requirements**

- Applicants may request 12 months of funding with direct cost amounts up to \$20,000. The total number of awards to be made is variable based on merit and funds requested. **Investigators may NOT apply for a no-cost extension.** Budgets must be in [this format](#).
- It is not required that the PI request salary and fringe. If PI salary and fringe are requested, the current federal fringe for your home institution should be applied. The NIH salary cap applies.
- Funds may be requested for salaries for study staff, students, post-doctoral fellows, and other study-related personnel. Funds may also be requested for research supplies.
- Funds for this project may be used for data collection and analysis, research lab supplies, and student/postdoc/staff/technical support that are directly related to the conduct of the

research. Costs subject to CAS approval, such as general-purpose equipment, office supplies, PCs and laptops, etc. may not be charged to this project. Salary support for administrative support is not appropriate.

- Travel expenses directly related to the performance of the research are allowable. Travel to conferences to present research findings is not allowable.
- All federal and institutional rules and regulations regarding the administration of grants apply. These pilot funds are federal funds.

Review and Award Process

Each application will be reviewed by at least two reviewers. Proposed research should be focused since funds are only provided for 12 months and no-cost extension is not permitted. *Applicants will be notified by early May 2021 if their proposal has been accepted for funding.*

Progress Reports and Citation Requirements

Awardees are required to submit periodic progress reports and to cite the Georgia CTSA NIH award number (**UL1-TR002378**) on all products (publications, patents, presentations) resulting from this award.

For all application questions, please contact: Bekeela Davila at bekeela.davila@emory.edu

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***PLOS ONE* Health Services Research Call for Papers**

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of strengthening health infrastructure and workforce around the world. There are many factors influencing access and utilization of health services that need to be considered, including physical and virtual access, quality of services provided, and cost and affordability. PLOS ONE is seeking studies exploring these different aspects: from interventions targeted to improve accessibility, quality and equity, to economic evaluations of health policies and service management, to qualitative research exploring patients' and providers' perceptions and outcomes of service delivery, to epidemiological studies on service availability and population health outcomes in times of health stressors.

Research Topic :

- Advancements in the measurement of quality of care
- Improving availability, quality, and equity of health services, including:
 - Cost-effectiveness analyses
 - New interventions
 - Intersectoral approaches
- Innovations in planning, optimal deployment and supportive supervision of health care workforce
- Public and private health insurances and health care access
- Strategies to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on routine or preventive health services
- Approaches to strengthen accountability for the delivery of quality health services

Submissions are due by **April 9, 2021, to the [online application portal](#)**.
For additional information, visit the application [website](#).

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

UCSF Summer Institute

Research in Implementation Science for Equity (RISE)

The program is part of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute's Program to Increase Diversity among Individuals Engaged in Health-Related Research (PRIDE). The goal of the program is to enhance the diversity of the biomedical research workforce for junior faculty and transitioning post-doctorates from diverse backgrounds to enable them to become competitive independent scientists.

Eligibility:

- Be a research-oriented junior-level faculty member holding a doctoral degree, such as a PhD, MD, DO, DVM, or transitioning post-doctorate trainee
- Have a background that is underrepresented in the biomedical or health sciences Be a Citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States
- Have a research focus that is centered on heart, lung, blood, or sleep disorders research; health disparities research relevant to heart, lung, blood, or sleep disorders; or relevant research methodologies and approaches specific to these areas
- Career tracking for up to ten years after training is completed Has not attended a previous PRIDE/SIPID cohort

Applications for Summer 2021 are now open. **Applications received by March 31, 2021, will be given priority.**

For more information on the program and how to apply, please visit [the application website](#).

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities Health Disparities Research Institute

The National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) will host the Health Disparities Research Institute (HDRI) virtually from **August 9-13, 2021**. The HDRI aims to support the research career development of promising early-career minority health/health disparities research scientists, and stimulate research in the disciplines supported by health disparities science. The program will feature lectures on minority health and health disparities research, small group discussions, mock grant review, and seminars. Participants will also receive consultation on developing a research interest into an application and preparing research strategies and methodologies for proposed studies.

Eligibility:

- Early-stage investigators who have completed their terminal degree or post-graduate clinical training within the past 10 years
- Must have either a Ph.D., M.D./D.O., Sc.D., Dr. P.H., Pharm.D., Psy.D., D.D.S./D.M.D., or equivalent doctoral degree from an accredited domestic or foreign institution
- Individuals who are planning to submit a K or R grant to NIH within the next 12 months

Applications are due **on March 8, 2021, to the [online application](#)**.

For more information on the program and how to apply, please visit the [application website](#).

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Certificate Program in Translational Research (CPTR)

The Certificate Program in Translational Research (CPTR) is a formal 16-credit Emory Laney Graduate School program for trainees who seek to conduct research at the interface between basic and translational science and clinical medicine. The CPTR enhances and transforms translational research training for predoctoral PhD students, postdoctoral fellows (PhD or MD), and junior faculty at Emory University (Emory), Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM), Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), and the University of Georgia (UGA).

Eligibility:

- PhD-level graduate students from all four Georgia CTSA partner institutions may apply in the subsequent year after passing comprehensive examinations at their institutions
- Postdoctoral fellows from Emory, MSM, Georgia Tech, and UGA may apply at any point in their postdoctoral training
- Postdoctoral physicians, including senior residents and those in clinical/research specialty fellowship programs at Emory University School of Medicine and MSM who will have protected time for CPTR
- Physician and non-physician faculty members of all academic levels from all four GaCTSA partner institutions who will have protected time and tuition support for CPTR training

Applications are due **by 5 pm (EST) on April 30, 2021, to the online application**.

For more information on the program and how to apply, please visit the application website.

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RESEARCH RESOURCES

Coronavirus Checker

C19 Checker website: <https://c19check.com/start>

To request to use the data, please email Griselda McCorquodale at gmccorq@emory.edu with a brief sentence about intended usage. In response, we will grant access and send out the data usage agreement form.

Access to the COVID-19 Data Analytics Platform

Researchers studying COVID-19 can now access an innovative new analytics platform that contains clinical data from the electronic health records of people who were tested for coronavirus or who have had related symptoms. As part of NCATS National COVID Cohort Collaborative (N3C) Data Enclave, the data within this source will help scientists study COVID 19 and answer clinically important questions about COVID-19 that they could not have answered previously, including potential risk factors, protective factors, and long-term health consequences.

More information and how to submit access requests can be found here:

<https://ncats.nih.gov/news/releases/2020/access-to-N3C-COVID-19-data-analytics-platform-now-open>

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WHAT ARE WE READING?



JAMA
Network™

Thematic Analysis of the Health Records of a National Sample of US Veterans With Advanced Kidney Disease Evaluated for Transplant

Immortal Time Bias in Observational Studies



Health
Affairs

Racial Disparities In Excess All-Cause Mortality During The Early COVID-19 Pandemic Varied Substantially Across States

Unmet Social Needs And Worse Mental Health After Expiration Of COVID-19 Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation

COVID-19 Through The Eyes Of A Black Medical Student

THE LANCET

COVID-19 and clinician wellbeing: challenges and opportunities

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SELECT RECENT PUBLICATIONS

From Emory Health Services Research Center

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