



ECPN Connections

2010 Annual Meeting Preview

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Social Hour

Join friends and colleagues at the ECPN Social Hour on Thursday, June 3. We will meet in the Hotel Lobby Lounge from 7:45pm to 8:45pm. All are invited!

ECPN Breakfast

Want to get more involved in ECPN? Come to the ECPN Planning Meeting. Friday, June 4, 2010
7:30 am – 8:15 am
Maroon Peak

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

ECPN I: PhD Outside Academe

ECPN Luncheon: Mentorship

ECPN II: Grant Options

Student Poster Contest

Preconference Workshop: Secondary Data Analysis

ECPN Sessions (Mount Elbert, Atrium Tower)

ECPN SYMPOSIUM I: *An Often Untold Story: Options for Prevention-Oriented PhDs Outside of Academe*
Wednesday, June 2, 2010
10:15 am – 11:45 am

Frequently, the education and experiences of doctoral students trained for prevention focus on equipping them to pursue academic careers. However, employment opportunities outside of academe are increasingly available to doctorate-level preventionists. Symposium panelists are prevention professionals working outside of academic settings. They will compare and contrast their workplace experiences with academic positions. Topics will include additional training that would be useful for working in business or government, how performance is evaluated and factors that led to working outside of an academic setting. Audience participation will be strongly encouraged.

Chair: Ty Ridenour, University of Pittsburgh

Speakers:
Elvira Elek, RTI International
William Hansen, Tanglewood Research Inc.
James Adams-Berger, OMNI Institute
Andra L. Teten, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
David Wyrick, Prevention Strategies, LLC

ECPN LUNCHEON: *Mentorship in the Life of Early Career Prevention Scientists*
Wednesday, June 2, 2010
11:45 am – 1:15 pm
(Registration Required)

This forum focuses on the establishment and sustainability of mentoring relationships. One of the most influential and powerful aspects of training in the early stages of careers are often found in the formal and informal relationships developed with mentors. Our panel includes three mentors who are recognized in their field for providing excellent mentorship experiences to their protégés. Our panel also includes three early- to mid-career protégés who will discuss the establishment of their mentoring relationships and the evolution of these relationships as they moved on to new stages of their careers. Come, ask questions, and obtain advice from the panel.

Co-Chairs:
Jessica Duncan Cance,
University of North Carolina
Marie-Hélène Véronneau,
University of Oregon

Speakers:
Gregory Fosco, University of Oregon
Philip Graham, RTI International
Kelli Komro, University of Florida
Keryn Pasch, University of Texas
James Snyder, Wichita State University
Jeff Temple, Univ of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

ECPN SYMPOSIUM II: *Grant Options for Early Career Prevention Scientists*
Thursday, June 3, 2010
1:15 pm – 2:45 pm

Thinking about writing an R01? Obtaining funding is a critical aspect of many early career prevention scientists' work, but finding appropriate funding opportunities and writing fundable grants can be challenging. This session features a panel of program officers from several federal granting agencies including NIH, CDC, and the Administration for Children and Families. The panelists will introduce their agencies and provide an overview of the grant opportunities for early career researchers. Panelists will also discuss the new NIH grant format. There will also be a question and answer period for session attendees to get further information from the panel. Please come and bring your questions.

Chair: Keryn E. Pasch,
University of Texas

Speakers:
Aria Crump, NIDA
Robert Freeman, NIAAA
Christopher Gordon, NIMH
Tamara Haegerich, CDC
Lauren Supplee, ACF

Second Annual ECPN Student Poster Contest

The ECPN Student Poster Contest was initiated in 2009 to encourage student attendance and participation in the annual meeting, increase student visibility at the conference, attract new student members to SPR and ECPN, and encourage existing student members to become full members upon graduation. We are very excited that the ECPN Student Poster Contest was such a success last year that it will be an annual event.

Both undergraduate and graduate students were encouraged to enter the contest. This year's winners will be an-

nounced at the awards presentation on Wednesday. The top 3 winners will receive a \$250 travel award plus a free 1-year SPR membership. Those receiving honorable mention will receive a 1-year SPR membership for 2011. Judging criteria included innovation, importance of the research topic to the field, quality, use of advanced methods, and contribution to prevention science. ECPN Steering Committee judges include Ty Ridenour, Keryn Pasch, Sarah Lindstrom Johnson, Kerry Green, Brittany Rhodes, and Marie-Hélène Véronneau. Tom Dishion, Deborah Gorman-

Smith, Kevin Haggerty, Nick Ialongo, and Cleve Redmond will serve as SPR Senior Scientist judges. Posters were due three weeks prior to the SPR meeting to enable thorough reviews.

The posters will be displayed during the Wednesday and Thursday evening SPR poster sessions. We look forward to your attendance at the poster sessions. Please note that ECPN Student Poster Contestants are indicated with an asterisk in the program.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU IN DENVER!
SPR 18th Annual Meeting "Cells to
Society: Prevention at All Levels"
Denver, CO - June 1-4, 2010**

J.W. Wiley is partnering with ECPN to raffle off print and online subscriptions to four journals: *Addiction*, *Addiction Biology*, *Alcoholism*, and *The American Journal on Addictions*. Come by the ECPN table to fill out a raffle ticket to enter the contest.

ECPN Sponsored Pre-Conference Workshop: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Secondary Data Analysis But Were Afraid to Ask

Numerous federal, state, and grant-related health data are available that are currently underutilized by research scientists. In addition, many investigator-initiated datasets are not mined to their full potential. Secondary analyses of existing databases may serve as an economical alternative to expensive and time-consuming new data collection projects and may serve as a valuable tool to test complex statistical models, perform meta-analyses and develop and test empirical hypotheses. This workshop, through lecture, applied demonstrations, and group discussion will inform participants about Internet-based and other health databases available for analysis and describe the utility and content of these databases, as well as explain how to access and analyze the data.

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vant NIH funding mechanisms and discuss the process of obtaining funding. Audience members will be encouraged to participate in this discussion.

Advanced registration is required. The session will occur Tuesday, June 1, from 8:30-5pm at the Grand Hyatt, Denver, CO.

<http://www.preventionresearch.org/SPR%20PC%20Workshop%20No%204fin.pdf>

Presenters include:

- Richard Moser, NCI, Co-Chair
- Kathy Etz, NIDA, Co-Chair
- Bethany C. Bray, Virginia Tech University
- Judith Gelernter, Carnegie Mellon University
- Felicia B. LeClerc, University of Michigan
- Amy Yaroch, Center for Human Nutrition