

## RCMI CONSORTIUM GOAL STATEMENT

The RCMI Coordinating Center works closely with key personnel at all RCMI U54 Specialized Centers and with NIMHD leaders and staff to help the centers collectively achieve their objectives to: (1) enhance institutional research capacity within the areas of basic biomedical, behavioral, and/or clinical research; (2) enable all levels of investigators to become more successful in obtaining competitive extramural support, especially from NIH, particularly on diseases that disproportionately impact minority and other health disparity populations; (3) foster environments conducive to career enhancement with a special emphasis on development of early career investigators; (4) enhance the quality of all scientific inquiry and promote research on minority health and health disparities; and (5) establish sustainable relationships with community-based organizations that partner with RCMI Centers.

## OVERALL OBJECTIVE OF THE ANNUAL GRANTEES CONFERENCE

The RCMI Program Grantees Conference will bring together RCMI U54 Centers PI/PDs and other senior scientists from each center, research project leaders, pilot project awardees, key community partners, NIH leaders and staff to exchange information and discuss opportunities for collaboration and strategies for solving shared challenges in: (1) project administration and coordination among sites; (2) research resources to support scientific and multi-site projects; (3) early-stage investigator development and mentoring; and (4) community engagement.

### Sunday, April 28, 2024

**4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**      **Welcome Reception**

**6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**      **Principal Investigator’s Association Meeting (CLOSED)**

**6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**      **Hands-On Training: RCMI Collaboration Tools & Data Collection Portal**

### Monday, April 29, 2024

**8:00 AM – 11:00 AM**      **Plenary Session I & Opening:  
RCMI Collaboration and Partnership Opportunities with  
NIH Institutes and Centers and the Center for Scientific Review**

*NIH leaders will engage RCMI investigators on strategic initiatives and funding opportunities that address workforce diversity and collaborative research on health disparities. This session will highlight collaborative opportunities that RCMI investigators are uniquely positioned to lead.*

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Welcome & RCMI Consortium Introduction	<b>Elizabeth O. Ofili, MD, MPH</b> Contact PI RCMI Coordinating Center
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Opening Remarks	<b>Emma Fernandez-Repollet, PhD</b> Chair, Steering Committee
9:00 AM – 9:20 AM	NIH Workforce Diversity Initiatives and Funding Opportunities	<b>Eliseo Perez-Stable, MD</b> Director, NIMHD
9:20 AM – 9:35 AM	National Institute of General Medical Sciences	<b>Marie Bernard, MD (TBC)</b> Chief Officer Scientific Workforce Diversity
9:35 AM – 9:50 AM	National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute	<b>John R. Lorsch, PhD (TBD)</b> Director, NIGMS
9:50 AM – 10:05 AM	National Institute on Drug Abuse	<b>Gary H. Gibbons, MD (TBC)</b> Director, NHLBI
10:05 AM – 10:20 AM	National Cancer Institute	<b>Wilson Compton, MD, MPE (TBC)</b> Deputy Director, NIDA
10:20 AM – 10:40 AM	National Cancer Institute	<b>Douglas R. Lowy, MD (TBC)</b> Principal Deputy Director, NCI
10:40 AM – 11:00 AM	Center for Scientific Review	<b>Noni Byrnes, PhD (TBC)</b> Director, CSR
10:40 AM – 11:00 AM	Moderated Panel Discussion / Q&A	<b>Moderator ?????</b>

## Monday, April 29, 2024

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Lunch on your own

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM **RCMI Presidents Luncheon Meeting with NIMHD Leadership (CLOSED)**  
*RCMI Presidents will engage NIMHD Leadership in a bidirectional conversation to address priorities for the RCMi program and highlight Return on Investment (ROI) of NIH research infrastructure and training support.*

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM **Plenary Session II  
 RCMi Consortium Keynote and Panel Discussion**  
*Highlight RCMi contribution to national science advances and innovation in NIH priorities on diversity, equity, and inclusion. The interactive session is designed to foster collaboration.*

2:15 PM – 4:15 PM **Plenary Session III  
 RCMi U54 Centers Presentation Session I**  
*Highlight RCMi contribution to national science advances and innovation in NIH priorities on diversity, equity, and inclusion.*

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM **Poster Networking Reception 1 and Exhibits**

## Tuesday, April 30, 2024

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM **Poster Networking Breakfast 1 and Exhibits**

8:00 AM – 9:45 AM **Plenary Session IV  
 RCMi Consortium Program Evaluation**

8:00 AM – 8:05 AM	Moderator	TBD
8:05 AM – 8:25 AM	Update on RCMi Program Evaluation	TBD NIMHD
8:25 AM – 8:35 AM	Q&A	
8:35 AM – 9:05 AM	RCMI Community Engagement Consortium Signature Programs	TBD
9:05 AM – 9:20 AM	RCMI U54 Centers Evaluation, Data Collection, and Harmonization	TBD
9:20 AM – 9:35 AM	Q&A	
9:35 AM – 9:45 AM	Closing Remarks	TBD

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM **Plenary Session V  
 RCMi Collaborations and Administrative Supplements**

	Moderator	TBD
	COSWD	TBD
	NIDA	TBD
	All of Us	TBD
	ODSS	TBD
	CFAR	TBD





**Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**    **Plenary Session VI: Lunch with Table Topics & Conversation**  
*Featuring NIMHD Training and Other Opportunities from Collaborating NIH ICs*

**1:15 PM – 2:45 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop A: Investigator Development**

**1:15 PM – 2:45 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop B: Community Engagement and Evaluation**

**1:15 PM – 2:45 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop C: Research Infrastructure Consortium**

**1:15 PM – 2:45 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop D: EQBMED – Equitable Medicines Development**  
**RCMI-CC / PhRMA Foundation Collaboration**

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

**3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop E: NRMN Alumni, Coaches, and Developers**  
**Networking and Writing**

**3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop F: RCMI Administrators**

**3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop G: RCMI Clinical Research Network for**  
**Health Equity Multi-Site Collaboration – UG3 / UH3**

**3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**    **Concurrent Workshop H: Data Science Collaboration**  
**NOSIs / All of Us Workbench Projects**

**6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**    **Plenary Session VII: Sidney A McNairy, Jr., PhD, DSc Awards Ceremony**

**7:00 PM – 9:00 PM**    **Poster Networking Reception 2 & Exhibits**



## Wednesday, May 1, 2024

**7:00 AM – 8:00 AM**      **Poster Networking Breakfast 2 & Exhibits**

**8:00 AM – 1:30 PM**      **Plenary Session VIII & Closing**

8:00 AM – 8:05 AM	Moderator	TBD
8:05 AM – 12:35 PM	RCMI U54 Center Presentations	TBD
12:35 PM – 12:40 PM	Moderator	TBD
12:40 PM – 1:15 PM	Closing Charge	<b>Monica Webb Hooper, PhD (TBC)</b> Deputy Director, NIMHD
1:15 PM – 1:30 PM	Closing Remarks	<b>Elizabeth O. Ofili, MD, MPH</b> Contact PI RCMI Coordinating Center
		<b>Emma Fernandez-Repollet, PhD</b> Chair, Steering Committee

