



MEHARRY RCMI IDC GRANT STUDIO & SELECTION OF IMPACTFUL PILOT PROJECTS

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DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

For this educational event, I have no relevant financial arrangements or affiliations with any corporate organizations to disclose.

Background Information

- We have been offering grant studios since the inception of the U54 grant
- For operations we utilize the Vanderbilt CTSA site (VICTR)
- Those who submit a full application with all the required components of our RFA are eligible for the grant studio.
- Currently, our format allows grant studio for all eligible participants. Therefore, we believe there is no reason to make changes in this format.
- We have not received requests from outside institutions and ESI development realm.

Research Studio Format

- The structure of the research studio sessions mimics the NIH study section.
- The Meharry RCMI IDC coordinates with VICTR for
 - Session coordination, selection of experts, and prep work for panel members
- The length of the session varies based on the number of applications. These sessions are standardized, efficient and consistent.
- The review comments from the studio are provided to the investigators both during and after the research studio session. A written version of the comment are provided to the investigators to improve their applications.
- The research studio session (investigator and panel member evaluation) are evaluated by the VICTR administration.



RCMI Program Integration

- The investigators are advised to incorporate the cores of Meharry RCMI U54 Center in their proposal. They are evaluated for the utilization of the cores during grant studio sessions.
- Meharry and Vanderbilt has a long history of partnership. Therefore, recruitment of experts panel members in the grant studio sessions has been very efficient.
- Given that VICTR conducts these studios, it is not necessary for our RCMI U54 Center to get acknowledged for the grant studio sessions.
- VICTR provides incentives (in dollars) to expert panel members.

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