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Institute for the Advancement of Social Work Research  
Pre-Conference Institute @ SSWR 2009  
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New Orleans, LA

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## STRATEGIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCESSING FUNDING FOR SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH (INCLUDING FEDERAL AND FOUNDATION SOURCES) (NO EXTRA CHARGE TO CONFERENCE REGISTRANTS)

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**WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** Researchers, faculty and administrators (from doctoral students to senior researchers) who are interested in information on research funding priorities and opportunities; strategies for submitting successful research grants, and research infrastructure and capacity-building strategies. **TO REGISTER FOR THE IASWR PRECONFERENCE INSTITUTE SESSIONS: CLICK ON IASWR INSTITUTE UNDER PRECONFERENCE SESSIONS ON THE SSWR REGISTRATION FORM**  
**8:45 – 10:45**

### **Social Work Research Career Development at National Institutes of Health**

This session will focus on getting your research career launched at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) including learning about social work relevant research priorities, understanding the review process and the value of mentor relationships.

*Stephane Philogene (OBSSR), Denise Juliano-Bult (NIMH), Peggy Murray (NLAAA), Jeffrey Evans (NICHD), Wendy McLaughlin (NCI), Denise Pintello (NIDA), Sid Stahl (NLA), Paul Cotton (NINR) (Invited).*

### **8:45 TO 12:30**

**Half-Day Special Workshop -- Understanding, Accessing and Using SAMHSA Data Sets: Opportunities for Research and Resources for Teaching (Interested participants should register on-line for this special session, [http://www.sswr.org/conf08\\_reg.php](http://www.sswr.org/conf08_reg.php))**

This special workshop will orient participants to the numerous data sets available from the Substance Abuse and Mental Services Administration (<http://www.oas.samhsa.gov/>). Attendees will learn about on-line analytic services and reports as well as how to access data and utilize for research or classroom training.

*Peter Delany, Director of the Office of Applied Studies, SAMHSA  
Joseph Shields, Catholic University of America*

### **10:45 TO 11:00 BREAK**

### **11:00 – 12:30**

**Social Work Research Opportunities at CDC**

The CDC has established a research agenda, *Advancing the Nation's Health: A Guide to Public Health Research Needs – 2006-2015*, that addresses many priorities relevant to social work research. This session will provide information about funding opportunities and strategies for increasing social work engagement with CDC.

*Joann Thierry, CDC*

### **Establishing a Career as an NIH-Funded Researcher**

Success as an NIH-funded researcher requires persistence, relationship development, methodological rigor, and interdisciplinary collaboration. One effective approach is to progress from smaller pilot studies to larger NIH-funded grants. This session will provide guidance on steps one can take to build and sustain success as an NIH-funded social work researcher.

*David Pollio (University of Alabama)*

### **Building Capacity and Linkages for Long Term Care Research**

Meeting psychosocial needs and demonstrating the importance of social work practice in long term care requires rigorous studies and linkages to federal agencies. This session will highlight an emerging network of long term care (LTC) researchers, efforts to build an LTC research agenda, and potential for stronger connections with CMS, NIH, AHRQ and the VA.

*Sheryl Zimmerman (University of North Carolina), Mercedes Bern-Klug (University of Iowa), Sonya Bowen (CMS) (invited)*

## **1:45 – 3:15**

### **Opportunities and Strategies for Doctoral and Dissertation Research Funding**

Numerous funding opportunities to support doctoral students and dissertation research exist. This session will help doctoral students and faculty plan strategically to optimize success in securing resources to support doctoral students' research endeavors.

*Brian Perron (University of Michigan), Leslie Hasche (Washington University, St. Louis), James Lubben (Hartford Doctoral Fellows Program), Joann Thierry (CDC)*

### **Priorities for Health Disparities Research**

This session will explore federal priorities and action plans that provide a framework for research related to addressing and eliminating health disparities, including identification of relevant agendas for social work research contributions.

*Suzanne Heurtin-Roberts, Office of Minority Health (OMH); Stephane Philogene, (NIH/OBSSR)*

### **Enhancing Research Capacity in Non-PhD Granting Social Work Education Programs**

All social work education programs are increasingly seeking external funding to support faculty research efforts. This session will explore strategies for enhancing research capacity and securing external research funding for faculty in social work education programs that do not have a PhD program.

*Ruth McRoy (U of Texas-Austin), Jerry Flanzger (San Jose State University)*

## **Connecting Evidence-Based Practice with Translational, Implementation and Dissemination Research**

Increased attention to evidence-based practices coupled with concerns about what works for whom under what conditions, and the need to engage communities and clients as stakeholders in the research process from the outset provides important prospects for social work research contributions. Available resources, challenges and identification of potential funding sources will be explored.

*Denise Juliano-Bult, NIMH; Sarah Geblert, University of Chicago, Lawrence Palinkas (University of Southern California), Haluk Soydan (University of Southern California)*

### **3:15- 3:30 BREAK**

### **3:30 – 5:00**

#### **Developing and Sustaining Child Welfare Research University/Agency Partnerships: Opportunities and Strategies**

Diverse models of university/agency research partnerships can contribute to child welfare practice improvements, but they also face challenges in sustainability. This session will address emerging strategies for agenda development, garnering research funding, developing and expanding partnerships, and ensuring support for doctoral students and early career researchers.

*Joan Levy Zlotnik (LASWR), Susan Smith (Casey Family Programs)*

#### **Understanding and Responding to the NIH Review Process**

To be successful at getting funded you need to understand the review process and be responsive to suggestions for improving your application. This session will include a mock proposal review and strategies to respond to critiques.

*Dan Herman (Columbia University); Ronald Thompson (Columbia University)*

#### **NIMH Research on Autism Spectrum Disorders: Opportunities for Social Workers**

NIMH-sponsored research on autism spectrum disorders (ASD) covers domains including interventions, diagnosis, genetics, neurobiology, and services. In addition to individual grants for research projects, NIMH sponsors training, small grants, and career support related to autism research. This session will provide an overview of NIMH opportunities for support of social work research and career development in the area of ASD research.

*Denise Juliano-Bult (NIMH)*

#### **The Fulbright Scholar Programs – Opportunities for Social Work Researchers**

The U.S. government's international academic exchange program provides opportunities for social work research. Hear from recent Fulbright social work scholars about the process of becoming a scholar and their experiences with several different programs.

*James Lubben (Boston College), Karen Kayser (Boston College) and Ellen Csikai (University of Alabama)*