

Mastering the Complexities of Clinical Trials: Strategies for Success and Innovation

PRELIMINARY AGENDA – last updated Oct 11

| WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2024 | |
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| 07:30-08:30am | BREAKFAST / NETWORKING |
| 08:30-08:45am | <p>WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS</p> <p>Speakers: Farrell Leibovitch, Alex McKinnon</p> <p>Description: In this opening session, you will hear welcoming remarks from workshop co-chairs who will set the stage for the workshop and highlight the goals and intended outcomes for the day.</p> |
| 08:45-09:45am | <p>LECTURES FOR FIRESIDE CHAT:</p> <p>A) PREPARING A CLINICAL TRIAL AGREEMENT SUBMISSION TO HEALTH CANADA</p> <p>Speaker: TBC</p> <p>Description: Learn the essential steps for preparing a clinical trial agreement submission to Health Canada for stroke studies involving drugs or medical devices. This talk will cover regulatory requirements, documentation, and best practices to streamline the approval process, ensuring compliance and efficient trial initiation.</p> <p>B) PREPARING A CLINICAL TRIAL SITE FOR A HEALTH CANADA AUDIT</p> <p>Speaker: Jenna Dobry, BSc, MSL, Lead Regulatory Officer at the Calgary Centre for Clinical Research</p> <p>Description: This session will provide key insights on preparing your site for a Health Canada audit of a regulated clinical trial involving stroke devices or drugs. Learn about audit expectations, essential documentation, regulatory compliance, and best practices to ensure your trial site is fully prepared for a successful audit.</p> |
| 09:45-10:15am | <p>FIRESIDE CHAT</p> <p>Speakers: TBC, Jenna Dobry</p> <p>Description: After the lectures, the speakers will engage in an informal fireside chat with the audience. This is a valuable opportunity to ask questions and gain insights from seasoned experts with extensive trial experience. Bring your questions and make the most of this interactive session!</p> |
| 10:15-10:30am | BREAK / NETWORKING |

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| <p>10:30-11:00am</p> | <p>SESSION 1 GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>THEME 1: CLINICAL TRIALS RULES & REGULATIONS</p> <p><i>What are the top challenges and best strategies to deal with them?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dealing with Adverse Events and Serious AEs • Dealing with Delegation Logs & Training • Dealing with Protocol Deviations and Capps <p>Format Description: Audience to be divided into small groups of 5-6 people.</p> <p>Each group will have a lead facilitator and lead scribe and needs to decide on presenter.</p> <p>Each group will spend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 min - introductions • 15 min - discuss topic and identify top challenges and best strategies to deal with them • 10 min – prepare a 5min presentation to share with the full audience for discussion. |
| <p>11:00am-12:00pm</p> | <p>SESSION 1 GROUP PRESENTATIONS</p> <p>Each group will have 5 min to present their ideas + 15 min for audience discussion.</p> |
| <p>12:00-1:00pm</p> | <p>LUNCH & NETWORKING</p> |
| <p>1:00-1:30pm</p> | <p>SESSION 2 GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>THEME 2: FUNCTIONAL COMPONENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL TRIALS</p> <p><i>What are the top challenges and best strategies to deal with them?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engaging Clinical Teams and Persons with Lived Experience (PWLE) • Successful Participant Recruitment & Retention • Juggling Multiple Responsibilities - Time Management & Task Prioritization <p>Format Description: Same format as session 1.</p> |
| <p>1:30-2:30pm</p> | <p>SESSION 2 GROUP PRESENTATIONS</p> <p>Each group will have 5 min to present their ideas + 15 min for audience discussion.</p> |
| <p>2:30-3:00pm</p> | <p>SESSION 3 GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>THEME 3: MAKING RESEARCH ACCESSIBLE</p> <p><i>What are the top challenges and best strategies to deal with them?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using Online Tools in a Study • Being Part of a Multi-Site Trial • Using Wearable Technologies <p>Format Description: Same format as session 1.</p> |
| <p>3:00-4:00pm</p> | <p>SESSION 3 GROUP PRESENTATIONS</p> <p>Each group will have 5 min to present their ideas + 15 min for audience discussion.</p> |

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| 4:00-5:30pm | <p>NETWORKING EVENT: "CONNECTING MINDS"</p> <p>Join us for "Connecting Minds," a dynamic networking event designed to bring together early career researchers, senior researchers, research coordinators, and people with lived experience with stroke. Engage in meaningful conversations, explore new partnerships, and discover ways to work together to advance stroke research and care. "Connecting Minds" is a great opportunity to broaden your professional network and ignite innovative approaches that can make a real impact.</p> |
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