THANKS FOR JOINING US!

We sincerely want to thank all the teams who took time out of their busy schedules to join us at the SIREN investigators kick off meeting. We truly have a great group of colleagues collaborating on this endeavor!

WORKING GROUPS IN THE SIREN NETWORK

SIREN will need a variety of working groups to help move the science and trials of SIREN forward. Dr. Barsan described the working groups as “organic”, and the CCC’s desire for these to be investigator led. The CCC’s role will be to support the group, rather than lead or prescribe which workgroup forms.

Do you have an idea for a working group you would like to participate in? The best way to gather interest for your group is to e-mail the list-serve: sirenilncoi@umich.edu

✓ Dr. Jan Jansen (UAB) is interested in participating in a Registry Randomized Controlled Trial (RRCT) work group.
✓ Dr. Mo Daya (OHSU) is interesting in serving on an EMS working group.

If you are interested in joining either of these groups please e-mail Jenny or the investigator directly

IS YOUR ORG CHART DONE?

Thank you to UAB and University of Utah for the SIREN org charts they have developed. We’d like to get one of these from each site. Once we have gathered all of these, we will make these available within our network for any site to reference as needed.

FUNDED HUBS, HUBS AND SPOKES OH MY!

In an attempt to 'clarify' site roles in the network, a new iteration of names was shared at the meeting. In our network:

✓ Funded Hub=OHSU
✓ Hubs= Duke; The OSU; U. Utah; Wake Forest
✓ Spokes= Kaweah Delta; UAB; U. Wisconsin; URMC

What does it all mean? Here’s our understanding (and our network interpretation) of the important highlights:

✓ For Contracting purposes:
  - All Funded Hubs & Hubs will receive contracts directly from the CCC
    - Hubs will receive their master & trial contracts from the CCC around the time of participation in their first trial
  - Spoke contracts will be trial specific and come from OHSU
✓ Hubs should (but are not required to) participate in all trials
Spokes of your hub will count towards your ‘participation goal’. For example, if your site did not have the ability to carry out a pediatric only trial, but one of your affiliated spokes was participating in this study, this would count towards your ‘hub site participation goal’.

‘Spokes’ are the enrolling units in trials! In other words, when it comes to trials: we’re all ‘spokes’ (i.e. we are all equally important when it comes to executing trials).

**GOT QUESTIONS STILL? US TOO!**

The network is still evolving and as such, while many items are starting to become clearer, there are still other issues for which we will need to seek additional guidance. It seems to work best when we can compile these questions, and then submit a list to the CCC for a response so we can then share with the whole group.

**SIREN INVESTIGATOR MEETING SLIDES COMING SOON**

Not able to attend the meeting? Want to review some of the finer points of the presentations? Watch your e-mail in the coming weeks for a direct link to the presentation slides & video from the meeting. Per Joy, she expects to have these available before the end of March.

**PRE-PLANNING FOR UPCOMING STUDIES**

We are all busy, but pre-planning for upcoming studies can help save you time, money, and effort in the end! Here are a few items we have found help us effectively prepare for studies, without taking a lot of effort on anyone’s part.

- Review the protocol draft (when available)
  - Jot down key points
  - Note your questions
  - Identify potential issues early (such as equipment needs, policy/protocol differences from your standard of care, etc.) This will give your team plenty of time to find solutions, or identify insurmountable barriers
- Identify key players at your facility (2-4 months prior to potential funding date)
  - Who are the Co-I’s?
  - Are there specialties who will need to be involved in subject care?
  - Build a team contact list, and start an e-mail thread
- Have a pre-meeting with the team (1-2 months prior to potential funding date)
  - Send the draft protocol around for full team review
  - Discuss the questions and issues each team member has
  - Create a list of questions/concerns/issues that need additional clarification from the OHSU Hub/SIREN CCC
- Ask questions! Send concerns!
  - Send your questions/concerns/issues/clarifications to the OHSU Hub via e-mail
  - We will follow up with the appropriate parties and make sure to send answers to those questions.
  - Keep in contact with your study team
  - At least once per month, circulate an e-mail to keep the project in everyone’s mind. Remind everyone when funding is expected, and if there are still any outstanding items that need a resolution internally, check on the progress of those issues.

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