

## **CTSA Imaging Working Group (IWG) Steering Committee WebEx**

Friday, February 5, 2010

11:00am (CST)

### **Call Summary**

#### **In attendance:**

Daniel C. Sullivan, MD (moderator)

Gary S. Dorfman, MD

Richard D. Hichwa, PhD

John J. Kotyk, PhD

#### **RSNA**

Linda Bresolin, PhD, MBA, CAE

Fiona Miller

Joe Koudelik

#### **CTSA IWG Informational meeting at ACRT/SCTS Joint Meeting, April 5-7, 2010 (Dr Sullivan)**

Discussion of possible outcomes and proposed topics for the 1-hour informational session to take place on Tuesday, April 6 from 8:30-9:30am. The group agreed the emphasis should be on opportunities for collaboration and the value added from having an imaging core. Goal is to share information among CTSA sites and promote imaging.

#### **Possible Outcomes:**

- Inclusion of funding for imaging cores when planning reapplication for CTSA
- Developing common resources to be shared by CTSA centers
- CTSA IWG representation in other collaborative imaging groups

#### **Proposed Topics:**

- Introduction to CTSA IWG and its subgroups (Dr Sullivan)
  - Overview of goals and range of sites represented by members
  - Review of survey results
  - Structures in place for CTSA
  - Value of imaging programs to CTSA sites: what imaging can bring to translational research
    - Include specific site examples with range of imaging activities (funded and unfunded)
    - Examples from well, moderately, and poorly funded sites; what successful imaging can be done
- Committee overviews
- Wrap up
  - Invite involvement in CTSA IWG; promote goodwill as overall goal
  - Identify CTSA IWG activities
  - Promote websites and future meetings
  - Educational component - Gollub course

Dr. Sullivan agreed to draft a draft agenda for review by members of the Steering Committee

### **Selection of Focused Discussion Topic for 2/19 CTSA IWG Conference Call**

Report from sites on real costs of imaging services for CTSA centers:

- Budget issues: Actual costs vs. funded
- Source of funding e.g./ CTSA, Department
- Impact of imaging, e.g. # of studies performed
- Examples of important topics:
  - Protocol review process
  - Clinical imaging services
  - Tracking issues
  - Reapplication considerations
  - Writing imaging into CTSA grants; budget-related constraints
  - What benefits do CTSA sites get for this cost; impact funding made on CTSA studies

Future Topics:

- Look at information on percentage of awards:
  - Where imaging is primary
  - That incorporate imaging
  - Distribution of Animal/human /animal and human

**Next Steps:**

- RSNA staff to provide information on ACRT/SCTS meeting
- Dr Sullivan to draft an agenda for the Informational Session at the ACRT/SCTS meeting
- Dr Hichwa to draft CTSA site key points for April ACRT/SCTS meeting; welcomes feedback