RAIN Meeting

February 18, 2021

RAIN Updates

Steering Committee:
Benita Bazemore-Cook - Biomedical Informatics and Personalized Medicine
Natalie Buys - Department of Family Medicine (RAIN Founder)
Teresa Cochran - ACCORDS
Alexander Costakis - School of Medicine, Dean's Office
Michelle Haynes - College of Architecture and Planning
Kaitlynn O'Leary - Department of Pharmacology
Brittany Vits - Office of Grants and Contracts (PostAward)

	Meeting Type
1/20/2020	Steering Committee
2/18/2021	RAIN Meeting
3/18/2021	RAIN Meeting
April	Steering Committee
5/20/2021	RAIN Networking Event
6/17/2021	RAIN Meeting
July	Steering Committee
8/19/2021	RAIN Meeting
9/16/2021	RAIN Networking Event
October	Steering Committee
11/18/2021	RAIN Meeting
12/16/2021	RAIN Meeting

RAIN

- **Started in May 2014**
- **Objectives**

  - Share best practices and procedures.
  - Facilitate communication among research administrators.
  - Share job-related educational opportunities and resources to enhance University-wide knowledge base.
  - Support the campus research mission.
  - Foster collaboration with centralized campus research resources, and provide feedback for improvement.
  - Assist new hires to access resources.
    Provide network opportunities on available positions available on the CU Anschutz Medical Campus and the CU Denver Campus.

RAIN Updates

- Listserv: RAIN@lists.ucdenver.edu
- Participation
- PreAward Repository
  - Teams Channel
- Awards
  - Coming Soon!!
  - Announced September 2021

Professional Development Opportunities

- National Council of University Research Administrators - NCURA
  - FRA (March 15-17)/PRA (March 23-25) 2021 - Virtual
  - National Meeting August 2021 - Hybrid
  - Regional Meeting October 2021 - Virtual
  - Regional Meeting October 29-November 2, 2022 – Tucson, AZ

- Society of Research Administrators International - SRAI
  - Annual Meeting: October 23-27, 2021 – New Orleans, LA

- Society of Clinical Research Associates – SOCRA
  - Annual Meeting: September 24-26, 2021 – Denver, CO

- Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) – 2021 Meetings
  - May 26 - 28 - Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, DC
  - September 8 - 10, Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, DC

- Council on Government Relations (COGR) – 2021 Meetings
  - February 24-26 – Virtual
  - June 10-11 – Washington, DC
  - October 21-22 – Washington, DC

- NIH – Occurred in February 2021 (Opportunities throughout the year)

- RESADM-L@LISTS.HEALTHRESEARCH.ORG

CRA Certification

Why do it?

▶ Earning the designation of Certified Research Administrator® (CRA®), Certified Pre-Award Research Administrator (CPRA®), or Certified Financial Research Administrator (CFRA) means that an individual has met the requirements of the Research Administrators Certification Council's (RACC) eligibility requirements and has demonstrated a level of knowledge necessary for a person to be a professional research or sponsored programs administrator.

▶ WHY SHOULD I BECOME CERTIFIED? Benefits Include:
- Professional recognition
- Personal Satisfaction
- An indicator of expertise
- Increased opportunities for employment
- Advancement opportunities
- Increased credibility with clients
- Serve as a role model to others

Research Administrators Certification Council (RACC)

▶ 2021 Schedule
  ▶ Certified Research Administrator®
  May 15-29, 2021, Application Deadline: 4/14/2021 by 11:59p EST
  November 6-20, 2021, Application Deadline: 10/6/2021 by 11:59 EST

  ▶ Certified Pre-Award Research Administrator
  February 13-27, 2021, Application Deadline: 1/13/2021 by 11:59pmEST
  August 14-28, 2021, Application Deadline: 7/14/2021 by 11:59pm EST

  ▶ Certified Financial Research Administrator
  March 6-20, 2021, Application Deadline: 2/3/2021 by 11:59pm EST
  September 11-25, 2021, Application Deadline: 8/11/2021 by 11:59 EST

▶ At the end of each five-year period, recertification will be required in order to continue to use the CRA®, CPRA®, and CFRA designation.

Review Resources

▶ **RACC has access to a practice test.**

▶ **CRA®REVIEW SESSIONS ~~~~**
February 19th, 2021   8am- 5pm MST
February 25th and 26th, 2021   8am-12:30 CST Each Day
Registration link: https://cra-cert.org/application-for-review/

▶ Partner with CSU or CU Boulder

▶ NCURA CRA study session

▶ Body of Knowledge Review Session

▶ CITI Training courses - covers compliance in the Body of Knowledge. at our institution and found that very helpful!

▶ See if you can bring in the Research Administrators Certification Council (RACC) to do the Body of Knowledge: http://www.racc-cert.org/cra-body-of-knowledge/

▶ Here is the U of M's aiM Higher website: https://orsp.umich.edu/tools-resources/navigate-professional-development-and-training/aim-higher-cra-study-group

Hear from your colleagues!

- Amy Nickerson – CRA
- Teresa Cochran – CFRA
- Jessica Weaver – CPRA

- Best Practices for Studying
- Benefits of having the certification