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Introduction



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I am grateful for your patience with me as I learn the U-M and U-M School of Nursing systems and culture. Thank you!

I appreciate those who have reached out to have lunch, launch collaborations, seek mentorship, and just say hello.

It has been refreshing to watch and learn from my partners in the Research Office. **Glen Marian, Karen Kirchner** and the **GRO Team, Rob Ploutz-Snyder** and the **ABL Team, and Sarah Stoddard** are all really good at what they do!

Thank you to the **2023-2024 Research Advisory Committee** for their service: **Cherie-Ann Conley, Mary Franklin, Lara Khadr, Robert Knoerl, Milisa Manojlovich, Deanna Marriott, Renee Pitter, Sheria Robinson-Lane, Denise Saint Arnault, Rhonda Schoville, and Olga Yakusheva.**

If you need an appointment with me, please reach out to Glen Marian at glenbrau@umich.edu. Don't forget to add the **Open Mentoring Moments** for January 2024 (listed below) to your calendar as well!

As we enter this holiday season, I hope that you will find joy and give yourself the time to rejuvenate!

Open Mentoring Moments for January 2024

For Post-Docs:

Monday, January 8, 2024
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm Eastern Time

For Assistant & Associate Professors:

Tuesday, January 9, 2024
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Eastern Time

For Newer Investigators:

Monday, January 15, 2024 from
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Eastern Time

For Clinical Track Professors:

Friday, January 10, 2024 from
10:00 am to 11:00 am Eastern Time

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Dr. Marie-Anne Sanon Roseberg** (Principle Investigator) and **Dr. Barbara Brush** for securing funding for their project entitled, "COVID-19 and Nail Salon Workers: Taking Stock of the Pandemic's Impact on Occupational Health and Safety"!



Marie-Anne Sanon Rosemberg
PhD, MN, RN, FAAOHN

Barbara L. Bush
PhD, ANP-BC, FAAN



Congratulations to **Dr. Sarah A. Stoddard** (Principle Investigator) and her team for securing 5-year NIH funding for the project titled, “Partners in Research: Building capacity for community-driven research to advance health equity”!

Sarah A. Stoddard
PhD, RN, CNP, FASHM, FAAN

And congratulations to **Dr. Ivo D. Dinov** (Co-Investigator) and his team for securing R34 funding for the project titled, “Michigan Collaborative Hub for TMD Patient-Centric Research (MICH T PCR)”!



Ivo D. Dinov
PhD

GRO Updates

This is just a friendly reminder that anyone who is currently working on an NSF grant must complete their **Current and Pending Support** documents through the SClencV system. Please visit the [NSF's Current & Pending \(Other\) Support tutorial](#) for guidance. If any further assistance is needed, please feel free to contact **Karen Kirchner** in GRO.



Karen Kirchner
Research Administration Manager

NSF Current & Pending Support

WORKING WITH YOUR PRE-AWARD PARTNER IN GRO



STAGE 1: SUBMIT NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI)

Once you submit your NOI, you will receive an email from your assigned pre-award specialist within 48 hours.

STAGE 2: YOU ARE ACTIVELY WORKING ON GRANT

- Keep your pre-award partner at GRO in the loop.
- E-mail your grant progress weekly or at least biweekly.
- Respond to GRO emails within 48 hours.
- Let GRO pre-award partner know if you are going to be away.



STAGE 3: OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROJECTS (ORSP)

- 4 full days BEFORE sponsor deadline: full review by ORSP
- 2 full days before sponsor deadline: compliance review ONLY
- LESS THAN 2 days before sponsor deadline: NO REVIEW

STAGE 4: YOU RECEIVE AWARD NOTICE

GRO NEEDS TO KNOW! Let your pre-award partner know the final status of your grant.

Data regarding number of grants submitted is kept in GRO and the outcome, whether scored/unscored/fundable/not fundable is essential to maintaining the accuracy of this data. (more about post-award in next newsletter!)



NIH Public Access Policy Updates

As of **December 2025**, the **NIH Public Access Policy** will no longer offer an optional 12 month embargo periods for federally funded peer-reviewed research articles. Articles will be available in PubMed Central as soon as processing is complete, without embargo. Please see the U-M Library's [manuscript submission training tool](#) (Canvas).

ABL Updates

The ABL is excited to announce the arrival of **John Jardine** to our team as a new Health Data Analyst in the **U-M School of Nursing's Applied Biostatistics Laboratory**. He has knowledge of and is skilled in data wrangling, data mining, machine learning, and traditional statistical methodologies. John is a fluent R programmer, and he also has experience writing Python, SAS, and Stata code. He received his master's degree in applied statistics from Bowling Green State University.



Robert Ploutz-Snyder
PhD, PStat®



John Jardine
Health Data Analyst

While a graduate student, John participated in research related to the COVID-19 pandemic and secondary survey data from search engines and social media platforms. In his free time, John uses his data mining and visualization skills to tell stories with baseball data for his own and other sports fans' enjoyment. If you would like to chat with John about your scholarship, please feel free to reach out to him directly at jjardine@umich.edu, or contact the ABL Director at robps@med.umich.edu and we will make sure to connect you.

Announcements

Changes To Enhance Peer Review of NIH Grant Applications

There is a set of changes that will be used to evaluate investigator expertise and institutional resources of research project grant applications. The goal of these changes is to mitigate reputational bias in the peer review process by focusing the evaluation on the specific project that is proposed. Instead of providing numerical scores for the investigator and environment, reviewers will be asked to judge whether the investigators are fully capable of completing the project and whether the research environment is appropriate, or whether there are gaps that would need to be filled. If reviewers identify gaps, they will be asked to explain them. Evaluation of expertise and resources will be made in the context of the proposed research rather than the general reputation of the investigator or institution.



The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) has launched the [Climate Change and Human Health Glossary](#), an online, searchable database of terms relevant to the science of climate change and its effects on human health.

This tool is part of NIEHS's ongoing efforts to improve global understanding of climate change health impacts and to encourage data sharing among researchers and others. It was developed by a team of climate change and health subject matter experts across multiple federal agencies. Features of the glossary include basic definitions, use of the term in the climate change context, categorization by usage and concepts, and connection to related terms.

This free, online resource is available to anyone, including through a mobile version, will be useful to everyone from researchers to students to policymakers to communities. The Glossary will be updated semi-annually to keep pace with the dynamic, multidisciplinary activity in research and policy on climate change and health.

[Learn More](#)

Professional Development Opportunities

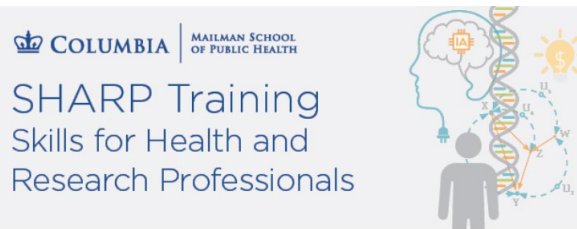
Article Sprint Method – Dec 7th, 2023 (9:00 - 11:30 am)

Dr. Michelle Aegersold is conducting an Article Sprint event on Dec 7th from 9:00 am to 11:30am in Room 1000, SNB #2 (426 North Ingalls). All writing teams are invited. The event will kick off with a brief overview of the Sprint method. Team will then breakout to work on their article using method.



Michelle L. Aegersold
PhD, RN, CHSE, FSSH, FAAN

Scholarship applications will open on **November 20, 2023** for the summer Skills for Health and Research Professionals (SHARP) Program, with a deadline of **February 29, 2024**.



SHARP's 1-4 day trainings in omics, data science, climate and professional development are geared towards early-career faculty and postdocs, and are offered in a variety of in-person, virtual, and hybrid formats. These scholarship awards cover at least 50% of the registration fee, increasing the accessibility and participation of early-stage researchers and professionals in learning in-demand field methods.

[Scholarships](#) || [SHARP Training Website](#) || [Subscribe for Updates](#)

UMSN Winter 2024 Professional Development Opportunities

- Grant Writing Workshop led by Dr. Crystal L. Patil
January 16, 2024
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Eastern
School of Nursing Building #1, Room 1330
- SMART Trials led by Dr. Kelly Kidwell
To Be Determined

Funding Opportunities

Reminder: U-M School of Nursing Internal Research Funding Program (IRFP)

This is just a friendly reminder of our announcement from the September 2023 Research Newsletter regarding the **Internal Research Funding Program (IRFP)**. We have uploaded our IRFP materials to the Research Office website on Canvas, and they can be found at this link:

UMSN Office of Research - Facilities & Resources

The **Heilbrunn Award** offers 1-2 year financial aid for doctoral RNs conducting independent research. For the 2024 cycle, MNRS is accepting applications focusing on maternal health, child health, and integrative care/medicine, among other research areas. Applications are due between **January 22-26, 2024, 5:00 PM Eastern**. All applicants will be notified of the disposition of their proposal by **April 22, 2024**.



Apply

The **HEROIC** and **MUSC**-supported **VAQS** and **HSR fellowships** offer two-year programs in quality improvement and innovative investigations for veterans' healthcare. They are welcoming applications from postdoc clinicians and PhD scientists in various fields until **March 1, 2024**. Please contact Hunter.Saleeby@va.gov for more information.

HEROIC Files

MICHIGAN HEALTH ENDOWMENT FUND

The Health Fund's **2024 Maternal and Infant Health Initiative** welcomes proposals for projects improving health outcomes for pregnant individuals and infants, with grants from \$50,000 - \$200,000. Projects should address service barriers, increase clinical intervention access, and address local policies affecting outcomes. Concept papers are due **December 8, 2023**, and full proposals by **January 26, 2024**. Please visit the official [RFP webpage](#) for more info.

Apply

Policy-Related Funding



The **Center for Health & Research Transformation (CHRT)** offers a **fellowship** that brings mid-career health services researchers together with Michigan state policymakers and nonprofit leaders to learn from experts in health policy and from one another. Over four months, fellows will meet for expert sessions and go to Lansing, Detroit, and Washington D.C., to help

Apply

researchers effectively translate research into policy.

The brief application is due **November 27, 2023 at 5:00 PM**, but CHRT can be flexible with this due date if anyone needs a little more time to apply.

Expanding Your Methods Toolkit

EMERSE is a new software that is designed to help teams (research, QI/QA, etc) access and utilize the free text/unstructured notes from electronic health records, including our system here at Michigan (Epic/MiChart). Watch the video below and follow the QC code to learn more!



EMERSE

electronic
medical
record
search
engine

An illustration of a computer monitor on a stand. The screen shows a search engine interface with a magnifying glass icon. The interface includes a search bar, a list of results, and a magnifying glass icon. The magnifying glass is positioned over the search bar. The background is a light gray color.

including radiology reports, pathology reports, and much more

Resources

**National Center for Faculty
Development & Diversity
(NCFDD)**



U-M is a member, so you have access the NCFDD, which is an independent faculty development center with resources for supporting academics in making successful transitions throughout their careers. Use the QR code above to learn more!



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