



CTSI Integrating Special Populations Webinars

Mar. 25, 2021, 12 - 1 p.m.

Session 3: Recruitment and Retention of Populations Underrepresented and Historically Excluded from Research

Presented by Caroline J. Kistin, MD, MSc, Jocelyn Antonio, Sarah Bagley, MD, MSc, & Katherine Bright, MA

The goal of this series is to provide an understanding of the ethical background, regulatory knowledge and models of best practices for conducting research when the participants represent special populations and vulnerable subjects.

In this 3rd presentation, the speakers will use examples from their past and current research to discuss important considerations in the effective engagement of research participants from populations which have been underrepresented and historically mistreated by, or excluded from, clinical research. The speakers will review participant feedback on barriers and facilitators, best practices related to recruitment and retention, the role of dynamic pilot testing, and strategies for research team training and ongoing support which can facilitate ongoing participant engagement.

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Upcoming Sessions:

Subsequent webinars will draw on BMC/BUSM researchers who have expertise in working with vulnerable subjects. They will present the best practices that they have implemented to provide special protections for these research subjects.

Speakers

Caroline J. Kistin, MD, MSc
Assoc. Prof., Pediatrics
(BUSM)



Dr. Kistin's work has focused on developing and testing strength-based, family-focused interventions to improve parent and child health outcomes. Her research has been funded by NIH, PCORI, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Kistin is the Program Director for the General Academic Pediatric fellowship program at Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine.

Jocelyn Antonio
Research Project Manager
(BMC)



Jocelyn Antonio is currently a Research Project Manager for Dr. Michael Silverstein's and Dr. Caroline Kistin's Project SOLVE. She currently coordinates research projects focusing on maternal mental health, preventing child maltreatment and food security during COVID-19 in low-income women and women of color. She also helped coordinate Project REACH, an initiative that was created as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic to assess the well-being of BMC's pediatric patients. Jocelyn has also worked on research studies at Duke University, UNC Chapel Hill, and RTI International.

Sarah Bagley, MD, MSc
Assist. Prof., Medicine
& Pediatrics (BUSM)



Dr. Bagley's research focus is on the engagement of young adults who use drugs and their families in care to minimize risk for overdose and the complications of drug use. She has funding from the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the Boston University School of Medicine CTSI to conduct research about engagement in treatment and overdose prevention of young adults after nonfatal opioid overdose, stigma related to medication use for opioid use disorder, and engaging women who use drugs in research.

Katherine Bright, MA
PhD Student, School
of Criminal Justice
(Rutgers University -
Newark)



Katherine Bright has served as a field researcher and project manager on several NIJ funded grants focused on human trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC). For the last three years, Katherine has worked on a pilot project following recently released, formerly incarcerated adults who identify as LGBTQ for 3 ½ months and is currently working on a national, participatory action research project focused on adult labor and sex trafficking survivors.