

Team Science Award of Distinction for Early Stage Research Teams

The Team Science Award of Distinction for Early Stage Research Teams recognizes and promotes excellence in developing multi-disciplinary research teams within the Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance (Georgia CTSA). This award will be presented to a developing (i.e., early stage) multi-disciplinary research team that demonstrates great potential for innovative and impactful advances in clinical and translational science.

The recipient of the Team Science Award of Distinction for Early Stage Research Teams will receive \$2,500 towards their team science research program. Teams will be recognized at the 2022 Southeast Regional Clinical and Translational Science Conference (March 3-4, 2022).

Application Deadline: Nominations will be accepted through **October 25, 2021**.

Award Eligibility:

1. Nominated teams should be early stage. For the purposes of this award, early stage teams are teams that have come together recently (e.g., within the past 12 months) to begin an interdisciplinary project with strong potential for innovative and impactful advances in clinical translational sciences.
2. Each research team must have one or more representatives from a Georgia CTSA partner (Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Morehouse School of Medicine, and/or the University of Georgia).
3. Teams must be multi-disciplinary with representation from at least two different disciplines. *In addition, diversity in terms of race, gender, institution, rank, etc. is strongly encouraged.*
4. Research activities must be clinical or translational in nature with the potential to make a positive impact on human health.
5. Teams are not eligible if applied to the 2022 Presidents' Award of Distinction for Team Science.

Nominations:

Teams may self-nominate or be nominated by a faculty member or administrator from a Georgia CTSA partner.

A concise, two-page (maximum) narrative describing the team's research, the potential impact on individual and/or community health, efforts made to date, a proposed teamwork plan for how the multi-disciplinary team will work together, and a description of each team member's substantive and quantifiable contributions to the team is required for each nomination. The narrative should emphasize specific features of the team that represent innovative, high-functioning teamwork and synergy and how these features have advanced their respective field(s).

The primary criterion for evaluation will be the team's ability to demonstrate the potential for innovative, high-functioning teamwork and synergy in the narrative. Teams will be evaluated using the following criteria. It is not necessary to achieve every criterion, as different teams will have different outcomes.

- Evidence of teamwork: Shared abstracts, publications or scholarly works at any stage (e.g., submitted, in press, in revision) involving 2 or more team members, shared mentoring responsibilities, shared pilot grant applications, shared resources, etc.)
- Interdisciplinary nature of the work

- Evidence of potential impact on health of individuals or communities (e.g., pilot work on community-based prevention project, community or industry partnerships)
- Innovation in teamwork (e.g., use of team-oriented collaborative tools, development of novel methods for team collaboration)

Submission Instructions:

All submissions must be emailed to Lauren.James@emory.edu and include the following:

- Nomination letter (maximum of two pages)
- A list of all members of the team and their professional titles and affiliations
- A 2- 3 sentence explanation/description of your team's research
- A description of each member's role and what expertise they bring to the team
- Optional supporting documents, i.e., publications, brochures, examples of innovative teamwork or synergy, etc. (maximum of 5 pages total)

Selection Process:

The Executive Council of the Georgia CTSA will review all nominations and make a recommendation to the University Presidents.

Questions should be directed to Lauren.James@emory.edu

The Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance (Georgia CTSA) is an inter-institutional magnet that concentrates basic, translational, and clinical research investigators, community clinicians, professional societies, and industry collaborators in dynamic clinical and translational research projects. Emory engaged three of its close academic partners - Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM), Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), and the University of Georgia (UGA) - to form the Georgia CTSA. This partnership, a strategic multi-institutional alliance, offers compelling, unique, and synergistic advantages to research and patients statewide. Learn more about [Georgia CTSA](#).