

NIH Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (BSSR) Festival

*Celebrating Innovative
and Exciting BSSR to
Advance Health*



December 8–9, 2022

Virtual Meeting

Day 1: Thursday, December 8, 2022

- 1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Christine Hunter, Ph.D., ABPP, Acting Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Sciences Research and Acting Director, Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR), National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 1:05 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Fireside Chat on Health Communications With Alix Spiegel of *This American Life***
Introduction: *Deborah Young-Hyman, Ph.D.*, Health Science Administrator, OBSSR, NIH
Moderator: *Christine Hunter, Ph.D., ABPP*, Acting Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Sciences Research and Acting Director, OBSSR, NIH
- 1:45 p.m. – 2:35 p.m. Session 1: Social Connection**
Moderator: *Dana Schloesser, Ph.D.*, Health Science Administrator, OBSSR, NIH
Aging and the Social Brain: The Role of Social Networks in Alzheimer's Disease
Brea Perry, Ph.D., Allen D. and Polly S. Grimshaw Professor, Department of Sociology, Interim Vice Provost for Research, Indiana University
Endogenous Opioids and Close Social Connections: Randomized Clinical Trials With Naltrexone
Tristen Inagaki, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, San Diego State University
- 2:35 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Break**
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Session 2: Mental and Emotional Health**
Moderator: *Stephanie George, Ph.D., M.P.H., M.A.*, Program Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, NIH
Mindfulness-Oriented Recovery Enhancement Targets Addiction by Restructuring Reward From Hedonic Pleasure to Self-Transcendent Meaning
Eric Garland, Ph.D., L.C.S.W., Distinguished Endowed Chair in Research, Distinguished Professor, Associate Dean for Research, College of Social Work, and Director, Center on Mindfulness and Integrative Health Intervention Development, The University of Utah
The Power of Positivity in the Context of Pediatric Chronic Pain
Laura E. Simons, Ph.D., Professor of Anesthesiology, Perioperative, and Pain Medicine (Pediatric), Stanford University Medical School
Patients' Reactions to Letters Communicating Collateral Findings of Pragmatic Clinical Trials: A National Web-Based Survey
Juli Bollinger, M.S., Research Scientist, Core Faculty, Berman Institute of Bioethics, Johns Hopkins University
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. State of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (BSSR) at NIH**
Christine Hunter, Ph.D., ABPP, Acting Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Sciences Research and Acting Director OBSSR, NIH
- 4:30 p.m. Adjournment of Day 1**

Day 2: Friday, December 9, 2022

- 1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m. Welcome Day 2**
Wendy Smith, Ph.D., M.A., BCB, Associate Director, OBSSR, NIH
- 1:05 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Institute and Center Director Keynote Address**
Richard Woychik, Ph.D., Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH
- 1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Session 3: Social Determinants of Health**
Moderator: *Erica Spotts, Ph.D., Health Scientist Administrator, OBSSR, NIH*
Intersecting Dynamics, Difficult Conundrums: Increasing Racial, Ethnic, Gender, and Sexual Diversity in HIV Cure-Related Research With Analytical Treatment Interruptions
Karine Dubé, Dr.P.H., M.Phil., Associate Professor, University of California, San Diego
Social Determinants of Cardiovascular Disease
Tiffany Powell-Wiley, M.D., M.P.H., Stadtman Investigator, Chief, Social Determinants of Obesity and Cardiovascular Risk Laboratory, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NIH
COVID-19-Related Victimization, Racial Bias, and Drug Use
Brenda Curtis, Ph.D., M.S.P.H., Principal Investigator, Technology and Translational Research Unit, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. Break**
- 3:10 p.m. – 4:25 p.m. Session 4: Measurement in BSSR**
Moderator: *Maureen Monaghan Center, Ph.D., CDCES, Program Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, NIH*
Suicide and the Agent-Host-Environment Triad: Leveraging Surveillance Sources to Inform Prevention
Katherine Keyes, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Epidemiology, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health
Congruence of Neighborhood Disadvantage and Individual Objective Socioeconomic Status as Predictors of Chronic Low Back Pain
Edwin Aroke, Ph.D., Associate Professor, The University of Alabama at Birmingham
Category Selective Regions of the Ventral Pathway Are Present Within a Few Months of Birth
Nancy Kanwisher, Ph.D., Investigator, McGovern Institute for Brain Research, Walter A. Rosenblith Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience, Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 4:25 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Closing Remarks**
Dara Blachman-Demner, Ph.D., Health Science Administrator, OBSSR, NIH
- 4:30 p.m. Adjournment of Meeting**



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