Training Program in Cancer Biology (T32) Trainee Expectations

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**All trainees and mentors will be required to attend an orientation within 4 weeks of their appointment. Requirements are briefly summarized below.**

1. A brief training plan (2 pages max), including a description of the Clinical Translational Experience (CTE), must be within 45 days of appointment to the Training Program in Cancer Biology (TPCB).
2. Responsible Conduct of Research Training – All trainees will be required to take either the Ethics in Research course, PHCL 7605, or attend the Office of Regulatory Compliance RCR seminars. Sixteen total hours of ethics training is required. This should be initiated at the beginning of the trainee’s appointment to the T32.
3. Trainees are required to attend the weekly Cancer Center Symposium seminar series (Tuesdays at noon).
4. All trainees are required to attend the TPCB seminar series (Thursdays at 10:30). Trainees will present their annual research update in this series.
5. TPCB Trainee Career Development Club (monthly). This will be organized by the TPCB trainees. Topics will be chosen by the trainees.
6. Annual Program Retreat – The TPCB holds an annual retreat in conjunction with the Cancer Biology Graduate Program. All trainees, primary mentoring faculty members and advisory committee members must attend the retreat.
7. TPCB Trainee Symposium – Trainees will organize a one-day thematic symposium in an area of cancer research of particular interest to the TPCB community. The symposium will consist of three external speakers, UCCC faculty and select advanced post-doc trainees.
8. Clinical Translational Experience (CTE) - To foster the association of basic science with clinical relevance, all trainees will be required to complete a CTE during the first year of TPCB funding. Examples of CTEs include, but are not limited to, attendance at tumor boards, grand rounds, and physician shadowing.
9. Individual Development Plan (IDP): All trainees will be required to take a skills and interest inventory (http://myidp.sciencecareers.org/) to help identify career goals. In consultation with the mentor, trainees should develop a step-by-step plan to reach those goals.
10. Research Advisory Committee (RAC) - All trainees must work with their mentor to utilize a Research Advisory Committee and formulate a research plan.
11. Rigor and Transparency in Science – trainees must enroll in *MOLB/PHCL7801: Rigor and Reproducibility in Biomedical Research.* This one credit course meets in the spring.
12. All trainees need to apply for an independent NRSA (or other fellowship) during their first year on the TPCB T32.