

**Meeting:** CU ACC Diversity and Inclusion Meeting

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020, 10:00 am to 10:45 am

**Location:** Zoom

**Attended by:** Samantha Holden, MD  
Peter Pressman, MD  
Jenny Krupa  
Polly Serrano  
Michelle Stocker  
Katrina Bengtson  
Haley Steinert  
Erika Dallmann  
Jessica Cline  
Trevor Sooy

**Notes:**

1. Insight on meeting every last Wednesday of the month. Possibly from 10 to 10:45 am? Set a reoccurring meeting for the next year on the last Wednesday of the month or every other month. Polly Serrano would like to have it on everyone's' calendar as far as advanced as possible.  
Attendees suggested Wednesday's from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm or after ground rounds.  
Polly is going to send out another Doodle Poll and work with Deana for the faculty availability for ongoing meetings.
2. Sitefinity website update working with Prinn Prinyanut to update the website to have a link in Spanish  
Polly showed attendees the website initial stages of translation, started with the "What is Research" webpage.
3. Discussion for possibly hiring someone for a PRA/Research position to do the testing in Spanish for clinical trials. A research coordinator that speaks Spanish to help with clinical trial testing and translation of documents used in clinical trials.
4. Haley discussed having the clinical research voice mailbox and email translated into Spanish. Haley mentioned putting Polly in contact with Natalie Lopez-Esquivel to update the voice mailbox and email. Haley also mentioned Jose Parra Gonzalez working with Dr. Fullard in community base research with Spanish speaking participant. There is a possibility that we can utilize Jose's skills as well to help the center.
5. Haley discussed the WELCOME program. WELCOME is a modern anatomy program and there has been discussion to have individual from the CU ACC Center willing do FaceTime with middle School and High School students possibly in November, December, or January. Maybe discuss stories on how individual made it to where they are now. Haley will send information to me so I forward the information to the center team to find volunteers. Michelle has ideas for science activities to do with kids. The request for volunteers noted below is an action item for anyone interested.

6. Haley mentioned another program is “Think like Scientists” this is a program working with elementary school students, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Get kits for kids to their home so they can do science activities, the department has extra tubes and boxes to share. In addition, with these science activities have experts give the kids feedback. Dr. Holden discussed that there are 3D Brain Atlas’s and slices of brains online to use for activities. Dr. Pressman did brain hats with his daughter in school. It was a fun activity to do with a student while engaging with school age kids. There is a strong interest in collaborating with schools in Aurora and Denver.
7. Dr. Holden inquired on the Preceptorship Program with UC Denver Downtown Campus, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Polly will follow up with Dr. Potter to coordinating having Trishia Vasquez attend a CU ACC meeting to provide additional information regarding the Preceptorship Program.
8. Michelle Stocker – wanted to get peoples opinion on how the 4 AC video went. The video will be on the websites for a few weeks. Ideas for making the video short and use it for the website. Michelle is working with the 4AC for their thoughts.
9. Michelle discussed the AMC Neuroscience Mentor Program. The Neuroscience Outreach Group has designed a program to connect undergraduate students’ interest in Neuroscience with faculty, postdocs, or graduate student mentors. See attached email from Michelle with the link to a survey for anyone interested in being a mentor.
10. We discussed Luis Medina ECHAR Network grant. The acronym stands for Engaging Communities of Hispanics for Aging Research (ECHAR) Network. Echar, a Spanish verb, with several definitions such as “to cast/throw”, “to put”, “to oust” and “to lay” is fitting, given that the Network proposes goals to lay out a plan for better health communications and to oust health disparities.

**Action Items:**

1. For anyone who is interested in meeting with the school groups (Elementary, Middle and High School) for the WELCOME and/or the “Think like Scientists” programs please send Polly Serrano an email. Polly will facilitate the meeting so that our faculty and/or staff can work with the school group program.