CDISC Symposium
Interoperability: A Matter of Life and Death

After the excitement of AMIA 2016, come join us for a short but jam-packed symposium on how to improve the planning, development, execution, and reporting for clinical trials. This three-hour session will feature talks by national leaders in clinical trials, data standards, and biomedical informatics. The goal of the symposium is to introduce attendees to the world of data standards and how they can be leveraged to improve interoperability between academic medical centers, pharmaceutical companies, contract research organizations, and the FDA. **Don’t get left behind** – the FDA is requiring these standards, and any trial not conforming will be unable to submit their data. Registration is only $60 and includes refreshments catered by Wolfgang Puck. You’ll already be downtown, so walk down the street and join us for this exciting CDISC symposium, starting right after AMIA concludes. Click here to register, [http://goo.gl/xBjJqn](http://goo.gl/xBjJqn)

**When & Where:** Wednesday, Nov 16, [Univ. Chicago Gleacher Center: Registration 1pm - Symposium 2pm-5pm](http://www.chicagouniversity.org)

**Key takeaways:**
- Explore how beginning-to-end global clinical research standards can enhance and streamline the process for any type of research study, from protocol development through analysis and reporting, while enhancing innovation and improving efficiency and accuracy of data collection
- Learn how CDISC standards now support over 25 disease areas, representing millions of patients
- Gain an awareness of approaching regulatory requirements for using CDISC standards
- Become familiar with the CDISC standards development process and how you can help shape emerging standards for new therapeutic areas

**Speakers**

**Lauren Becnel**, PhD, is Senior Director of Biomedical Informatics and Alliances at CDISC recently joined CDISC from Baylor Medical College and now focuses on informatics technologies at CDISC, including the Shared Health And Research Electronic Library (SHARE), a metadata repository that provides the standards in various electronic formats. Dr. Becnel works at the intersections of clinical research, translational research and healthcare, ensuring the standards remain relevant for regulated research, academic research centers and precision medicine.

**Samuel Volchenboum**, MD, PhD is director of the University of Chicago’s Center for Research Informatics. He is an expert on leveraging, standardizing, and analyzing disparate multi-source data for clinical research and is leading the development of a new standard for pediatric oncology. His work at the University of Chicago includes the design and implementation of a fully-integrated clinical trials management system.

**Michael Ibara**, PharmD., is the Head of Digital Healthcare at CDISC and works at the interface of digital health, standards and industry, leading an eSource Stakeholders group and overseeing the FDA eSource project and several Healthcare Link efforts including the use of EHRs to populate registries and mobile health.

**Rebecca Kush**, PhD, is the Founder, President and CEO of CDISC. Dr. Kush has 25 years of experience in the area of global clinical research and process redesign, having worked for the U.S. National Institutes of Health, academia and a global CRO before founding CDISC. She also leads the ESTEL initiative for the Learning Health Community.

**John Speakman**, MBA, is Senior Director of Research Information Technology for the New York University Langone Medical Center, and currently serves on the CDISC Board of Directors. He collaborates with the research community at NYU and beyond to connect people and technology, furthering the research mission of the Center in basic science, clinical trials, investigator-initiated and sponsored projects. Before July 2012, he served at the National Cancer Institute as Chief Program Officer for the Center for Biomedical Informatics and Information Technology, where he led NCI’s informatics programs, many of which involved partnering with CDISC in clinical research data standards.

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