AGENDA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 [Empire Room]
7:00-9:00 Welcome Reception

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 [Empire Room]
7:00-8:00 Site PI and Executive Committee Breakfast Meeting [Congressional B]
7:30-8:00 Continental Breakfast [Empire Foyer]
8:00-8:15 Amy Justice: Welcome, Steering Committee Introductions and Review of Meeting Aims
8:15-8:30 Kendall Bryant: Opening Remarks
8:30-9:45 Orientation to New Projects [Moderators: Kendall Bryant and Constance Weisner]
8:30 Amy Justice: The Veterans Aging Cohort Study and Resource for Informatics & Biostatistics (RIB)
8:45 David Fiellin: Financial Incentives, Randomization with Stepped Treatment (FIRST) Trial
9:00 Scott Braithwaite: Operations Research
9:15 Questions/Panel Discussion
9:45-10:05 Break
10:05-11:35 VACS Coordinators Breakout Session [Congressional B]
10:05-11:35 Translational Research Projects [Moderators Matthew Goetz and Russell Tracy]
10:05 Russell Tracy: Precision Medicine: Is There a Role for “Deep Phenotyping”?
10:20 Kathleen McGinnis: Validating Harmful Alcohol Use as a Phenotype for Genetic Discovery: Using Phosphatidylethanol and a Polymorphism in ADH1B
10:35 Perry Wilson: Valproic Acid, Incidence and Progression of Chronic Kidney Disease
10:50 Matt Freiberg: VACS in the Age of Omics
11:05 Questions/Panel Discussion
11:35-1:00 Group Photo [Main Staircase] and Lunch [Ambassador Ballroom]
1:00-2:45 VACS Index, Polypharmacy, and Multisubstance Use [Moderators: Sheldon Brown and Maria Rodriguez-Barradas]
1:00 Janet Tate: Predicting Readmission and 30 Day Mortality in General Hospital Patients
1:15 Brandon Marshall: Patterns, Predictors, and Consequences of Non-medical Prescription Opioid Use in the VACS
1:30 Scott Braithwaite: Willingness to Pay for Better Alcohol Biomarkers
1:45 Amy Justice: Polypharmacy Initiative
2:00 Kristina Niehoff: Addressing Polypharmacy using the Tool to Reduce Inappropriate Medications (TRIM)
2:15 Questions/Panel Discussion

*Veterans Aging Cohort Study-Consortium to improve Outcomes in hiv/Aids, Alcohol, Aging, & multi-Substance use
2:45-3:05  Break

3:05-5:05  Affiliated Grants [Moderators: David Rimland and Michael Simberkoff]

3:05  Vincent LoRe: HIV and Aging Mechanisms for Hepatocellular Cancer
3:20  Tamar Taddei: Characterizing the Histologic Morphology of Liver Cancer: Creating a Formalin Fixed, Paraffin Embedded Tissue and Slide Repository
3:35  Lesley Park: Virus-Related Cancers in the VACS
3:50  Janet Tate: Safety and Comparative Effectiveness of Gabapentin for Unhealthy Alcohol Use in HIV
4:05  Jen Edelman: Non-medical Use of Prescription Opioids Among HIV-infected Individuals: Trajectories and Impact on Health Outcomes
4:20  Kevin Kraemer: Comparative Effectiveness of Alcohol and Drug Treatment in HIV-infected Veterans
4:35  Questions/Panel Discussion

5:05  End of Day 1

6:30  Dinner at Bar Civita, 2609 24th Street NW (across from the Omni Shoreham)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13 [Empire Room]

7:00-8:00  Steering Committee Breakfast Meeting [Director’s Room]

7:30-8:00  Continental Breakfast [Empire Foyer]

8:00-10:15  Patient Salient Outcomes [Moderators: Cynthia Gibert and Vincent Marconi]

8:00  Julie Womack: HIV Infection and Falls
8:15  Kristina Crothers: COPD, Pneumonia and Outcomes in HIV infection
8:30  Keith Sigel: Lung Cancer: Key Findings and Future Directions
8:45  Kathleen Akgun: Alcohol-related Diagnoses Increase Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU) Admission Risk in HIV-infected and Uninfected Patients

Birth Cohort and Big Data Initiatives (Moderators: Cynthia Gibert and Vincent Marconi)

9:00  George Hauser: Standardized Laboratory Data as a Service
9:15  Denise Esserman: Introduction to the Birth Cohort: Veterans Born Between 1945 and 1965
9:30  Basile Njei: Chronic Hepatitis C Treatment and Outcomes in U.S. Veterans Born 1945-1965
9:45  Questions/Panel Discussion

10:15-10:30  Break

10:30-12:00  Collaborations [Moderators: David Fiellin and Todd Hulga]

10:30  Michael Silverberg: Antiretroviral Therapy Strategies to Lower Cancer Risk in HIV-infected Persons
10:45  Margaret May: NIAAA Application Aims: Hazardous Alcohol/Substance Use, and Smoking
11:00  Brian Agan: DoD-VA HIV Collaborations
11:15  Keri Althoff: Recent Findings from HIV and Aging Studies: VACS as a Collaborating Cohort in the NA-ACCORD
11:30  Questions/Panel Discussion

12:00  End of Main Conference: Box Lunch and Departure

12:00-1:00  Steering Committee Debriefing with Executive Committee