Leveraging Cooperative Group Participation for Cancer Center Leadership

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Overview

Cancer Clinical Investigator Team Leadership Award (CCITLA) has fostered ongoing leadership roles in clinical trials at the national cooperative group level as well as local clinical trial development.
Prior Experience Helps

• Pediatric Oncologist
  – Unique perspective on clinical trial participation
  – Experience developing and running early phase and large front line studies at the national level with the Children’s Oncology Group
  – Knowledge of large clinical cooperative group infrastructure and operating procedures
Activities Under CCITLA Leveraging Cooperative Group Experience

• Received award in 2011

• Immediately asked to lead the re-writing of the Data Safety Monitoring Plan for MCC

• January 1, 2012 asked to assume Medical Directorship of the Clinical Trials Office
• Leading a restructuring of the CTO and streamlining of processes

• Major participant in writing of CCSG renewal for MCC due in January

• Continued national clinical trial participation through the COG and will assume the role of chair of the Developmental Therapeutics Committee in the coming months
What Has CCITLA Meant?

• Recognition by the Academic Health Center and University of the importance of clinical translational science as a career path for promotion and advancement

• Recognition of the marriage of clinical trial academic accomplishments through the cooperative group mechanism as a training for higher level positions in cancer center leadership