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### Session VII: Policies for Workforce Sustainability and Future-Proofing

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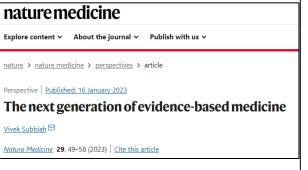
## **Session VII Objectives**

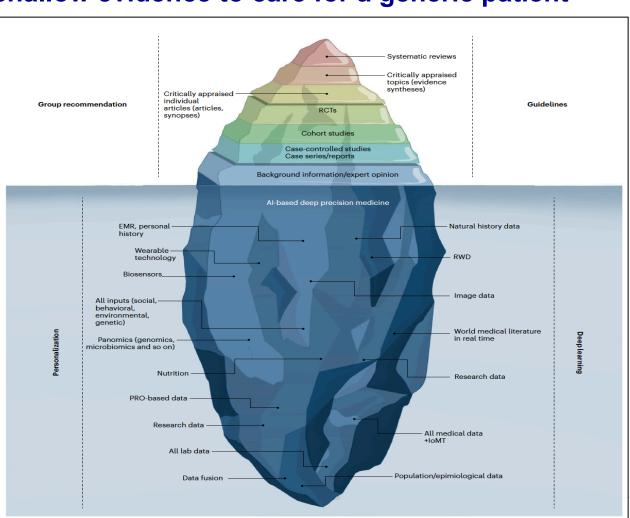
- 1. Explore policies and procedures that could be implemented to ensure a more person-centered, culturally aware drug R&D workforce in 2030
- 2. Consider guiding principles for different stakeholders to support and enable a more person-centered, culturally aware drug R&D workforce





# Implications for Future Workforce Policies: The current evidence-based medicine (EBM) pyramid represents the tip of the iceberg and barely provides enough shallow evidence to care for a generic patient



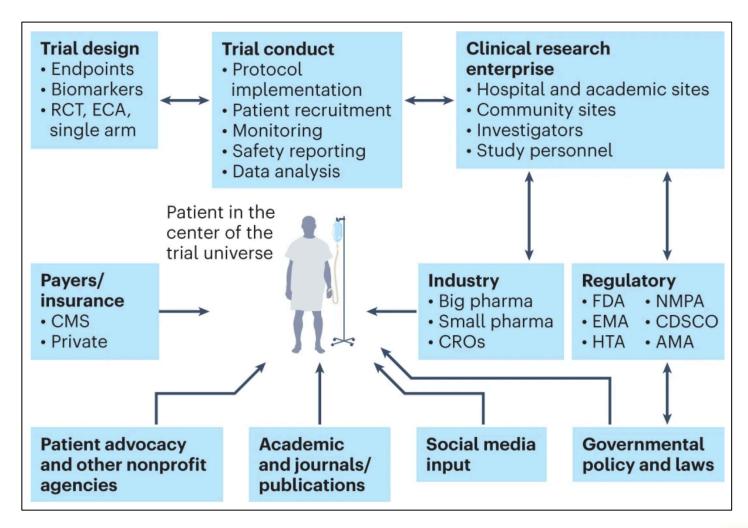


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# The Patient as the Center of the Clinical Trial Universe in the Clinical Research Enterprise & Stakeholders for Workforce Policy



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# Late Breaking Clinical Trial: Health 360x Registry-Equitable Access to Point of Care Decentralized Clinical Trials



Dear Elizabeth O. Ofili MBBS, MPH, FACC:

#### Congratulations!

We are pleased to confirm that your late-breaking clinical trial (LBCT) or featured clinical research (FCR) abstract submission, "Health 360x Registry: Equitable Access To Point Of Care Decentralized Clinical Trials" (control number 20846), has been accepted for presentation at ACC.23/WCC, March 4-6, live in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Presenting your research at the Annual Scientific Session represents a critical contribution to the evolving science and innovative strategies that are central to the experience at ACC.23/WCC. The selection process was highly competitive this year.

Ofili EO et al. Health360x Registry Equitable Access to Point Of Care Decentralized Clinical Trials-Late Breaking Clinical Trial: American College of Cardiology Annual Scientific Conference, 2023; 23-LBCT-20846-ACC

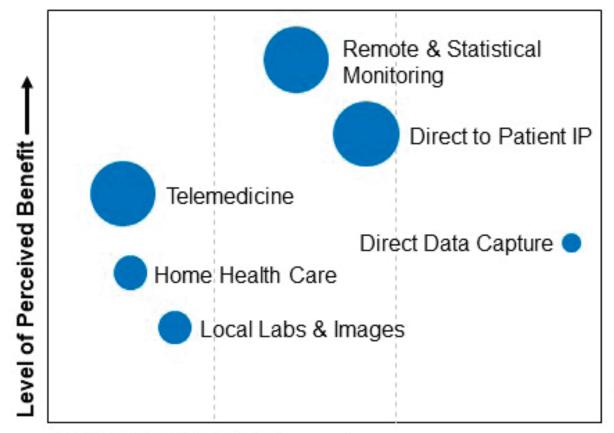
AccuHealth Technologies Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Award Number: 1R44TR003832-01 April 1, 2021-March 31, 2024 (National Center for Advancing Translational Science at NIH)

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# Remote Approaches/Decentralized Clinical trials During COVID-19: Implications for R&D Workforce Policy



IP=investigational product



### Complexity to Deliver ----

Levy presentation, January 26, 2021; National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2022. Envisioning a Transformed Clinical Trials Enterprise for 2030: Proceedings of a Workshop. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. https://doi.org/10.17226/26349.





**Research Centers at Minority Institutions:** A Consortium of Twenty two NIH funded Institutions and a Coordinating Center for Workforce Diversity and Inclusive Excellence



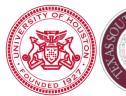


































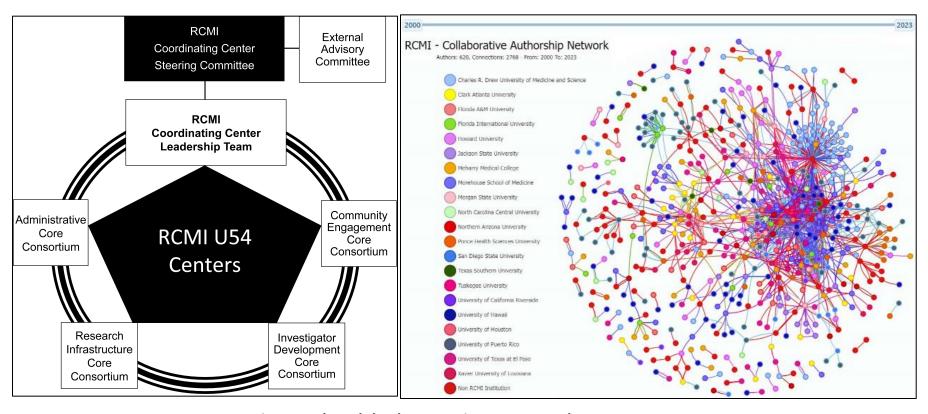








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Ofili EO et al. The Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) Consortium: A Blueprint for Inclusive Excellence. Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health 2021, 18, 6848. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18136848

NIMHD=National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities at NIH





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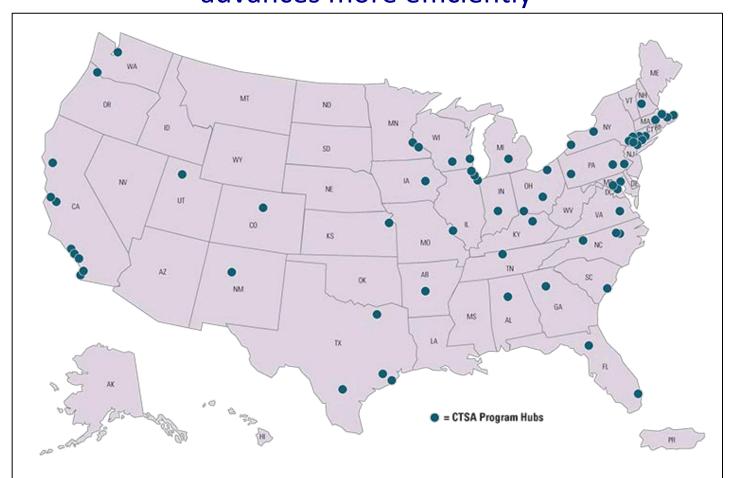








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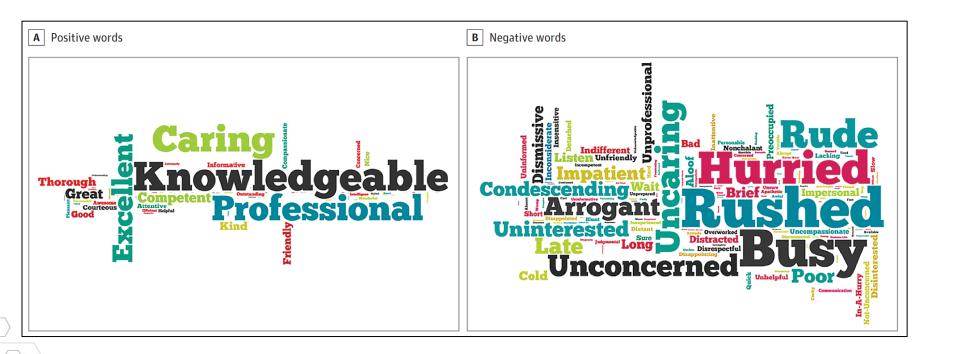
# All of Us Research Program: Model of Participants as Research Partners







### **Patient Perceptions About Their Physician**



Singletary B. et al. Patient Perceptions About Their Physician in 2Words
The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly. JAMA Surgery December 2017 Volume 152, Number 12:1169





# Policies and Procedures to Ensure A More Person Centered Culturally Aware R&D Workforce

- Person-Centeredness
- Incentivize participants as research partners/citizen scientists
- Digital health innovation: participants collect and share research data (PROs)
- 2. Research Awarding Federal Agencies (e.g. NIH; FDA; NSF; DoD; CDC)
- Prioritize Metrics for Inclusive Excellence in R&D Workforce Programs: e.g. CTSA/RCMI
- Incentivize community-centered partnerships and industry collaborations for sustainable R&D workforce at the Point of Care e.g, Community and Rural practices; Home Health
- 3. Clinical Trial Physicians and multidisciplinary research teams: Promotion and Tenure policies
- 4. Research Coordinators: Incentivize pipeline for training and certification: partnerships with HBCUs; Community Colleges; Culturally Aware Mentorship in research training/simulation
- 5. Policies to support the growing role of data scientists in clinical trial R&D workforce
- 6. Research Innovation and Regulatory policies for Health Related Data and Registries
- Data Governance-Real World Evidence Data for Drug approval and Post-market surveillance
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