Dissemination and Implementation (D&I) Methods Unit

The mission of the NC Translational and Clinical Sciences (NC TraCS) Institute is to accelerate clinical and translational research from bench to bedside by overcoming barriers to translation. NC TraCS works to improve the efficiency of research processes, train the research workforce, and share successful research methods. The D&I Science Methods Unit supports the overall mission of NC TraCS by building capacity in implementation science at UNC-Chapel Hill and beyond.

Expert Consultations

We can help you by:

- Identifying appropriate funding sources for D&I research projects

- Consulting on the development of implementation science grant proposals

- Finding collaborators with D&I expertise

- Advising on disseminating research findings

- Providing resources for increasing knowledge and skills related to D&I

Meet our Experts

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Methods Development

We collaborate to develop measures, tools, and frameworks to advance the field of implementation science. Examples include:

- Using an implementation science approach to implement and evaluate patient-reported outcome measures (PROM) initiatives in routine care settings (Stover et al., 2020)

- Researcher readiness to engage in community-engaged D&I (CEDI) research: A conceptual framework of core competencies (Shea et al., 2017)

- Tool for comparing and selecting implementation theories (Birken et al., 2017) **impsci.tracs.unc.edu/tcast**

- Aligning implementation science with improvement practice: a call to action (Leeman et al., 2021)

- Implementation research in precision health and society (Roberts et al., 2017)

Implementation Science in Health Speaker Series

Co-hosted by NC TraCS and other entities across campus, this series is held several times throughout the year. We host national experts to present on cutting-edge implementation science topics and consult with faculty, staff, and students.

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Visit the Implementation Science Exchange—a curated one-stop resource that provides tools and information to help researchers design, acquire funding for, execute, and disseminate implementation science research projects.

To learn more, visit: **tracs.unc.edu/services/implementation-science**
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