

# **Summary: Conference on “Emergency Care Research Networks”**

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# Outline: Manuscript I

- Title: Unique characteristics of emergency care research: Scope, populations, infrastructure
- Inputs:
  - Neumar presentation
  - Breakout #1
  - Questions 2, 3, and 4
- Goals: Address unique considerations and infrastructure requirements

# Outline: Manuscript II

- Title: Structure and function of emergency care research networks
- Inputs:
  - Barsan and Kuppermann presentations
  - PIs of other ECRNs
  - Breakout #2
  - Questions 6 and 7
- Goals: Brief summaries, patterns of success, best practices, and challenges



# Outline: Manuscript III

- Title: Integration of emergency care research into the CTSA program
- Inputs:
  - Gaulton presentation
  - Recent NCRR meeting on clinical research networks
  - Breakout #3
  - Questions 10 and 11
- Goals: Background, opportunities for CTSI leaders, challenges and strategies

# Outline: Manuscript IV

- Title: Metrics for assessing performance of ECRNs
- Inputs:
  - ECRN PIs
  - GCRC/CTSA RFAs
  - Breakout #4
  - Questions 13
- Goals: Presentation of metrics that span network types and domains of performance

# Next Steps

- Posting of materials on SAEM website
- Writing teams
- Submission of manuscripts
- Targeted distribution of publications
- Use of identified best practices: Participate!
- Integration in existing CTSA activities
- Encouragement of standard metrics for ECRN performance
- Offer of participation in trial and network review processes

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**Thank you!**

