

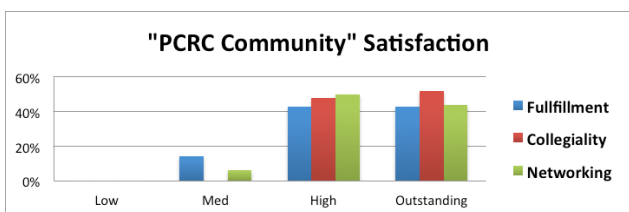
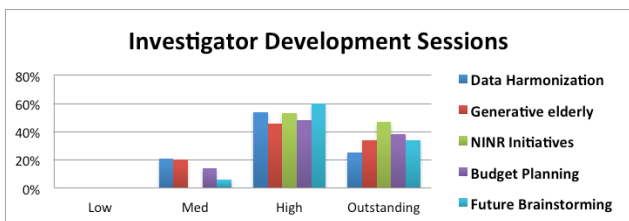


Study Title	Type	Status	Funding
Statin Discontinuation	RCT	Enrollment complete; manuscript submitted	National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
Pharmacovigilance	Quality	Active enrollment; initial sites	CLHC, UC GIM & UCSF*
Best Supportive Care	Implementation	Protocol Development	American Cancer Society (ACS)
QDACT-PCRC	Quality	Protocol Development	Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality (AHRQ)

* Duke University's Center for Learning Health Care, University of Colorado's Division of General Internal Medicine and University of California San Francisco's Division of Geriatrics

Spring Meeting Summary

Thank you to all who participated in the 8th Semi-Annual PCRC Investigators meeting! We conducted a survey of attendees and in addition to describing the meeting as *inspiring, informative and invigorating*, here are some of the results:



UPDATE: Manuscripts and Dissemination

Good news: the manuscript describing the main results of the Statin Trial has been submitted for publication! **Better news:** two PCRC manuscripts have been accepted for publication to the Journal of Pain and Symptom Management (JPSM)! The first describes recruitment strategies for studies enrolling participants with life-limiting illness, and the second depicts the process of working with IRBs on PCEOL studies. **Great news:** the PCRC will be presenting abstracts about the safety of discontinuing statins at the upcoming European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC) and American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) meetings.

PCRC Social Media Initiative

If social media is your thing, follow us on **twitter:** @pcrcgroup or connect with us on **Facebook:** Palliative Care Research Cooperative Group. We will use these mechanisms to stay connected with the community, share updates and funding announcements and provide a space to start and keep relevant conversations going.

Upcoming Excitement

Be on the look out for quality and implementation studies, chart reviews, pilot grant opportunities and NINR awarded proposals!

Announcement from the Scientific Review Committee

If you have a research idea that you would like to submit to the Scientific Review Committee (SRC), please fill out a Letter of Intent (LOI), which is available on the website under the Studies tab. A completed LOI, which replaces the original Study Concept Template, will help the SRC understand your research idea and provide relevant details for the SRC to determine whether the study goals of the proposed project align with the goals and priorities of the PCRC and would benefit from PCRC infrastructure.

Requesting a Letter of Support (LOS) from the PCRC

If you are submitting a grant and would like to request a LOS from the PCRC, the following process has been developed to demonstrate collaboration between the investigator and the PCRC: LOI is first reviewed for alignment and understanding and then used to prepare a proposed budget and subcontract, culminating in both a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the investigator and PCRC, and a signed LOS.

PCRC is GROWING -- Membership Metrics

We are so happy to announce that the PCRC now consists of 90 members from 47 locations! Remember, if you know someone who would make a great future PCRC member, please encourage them to complete the online application by clicking "Join us" on the PCRC home page. Questions? Contact: pcrc@duke.edu

