

DEFINING A COLLECTIVE MISSION AND VISION

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OBJECTIVES

- To **Introduce** a “pipeline” approach to Team Science
- To **Explore** “some” of the ways TS is working to inform scientific teaming
- To **Highlight** a resource-rich presentation

- *All in 20 minutes....*





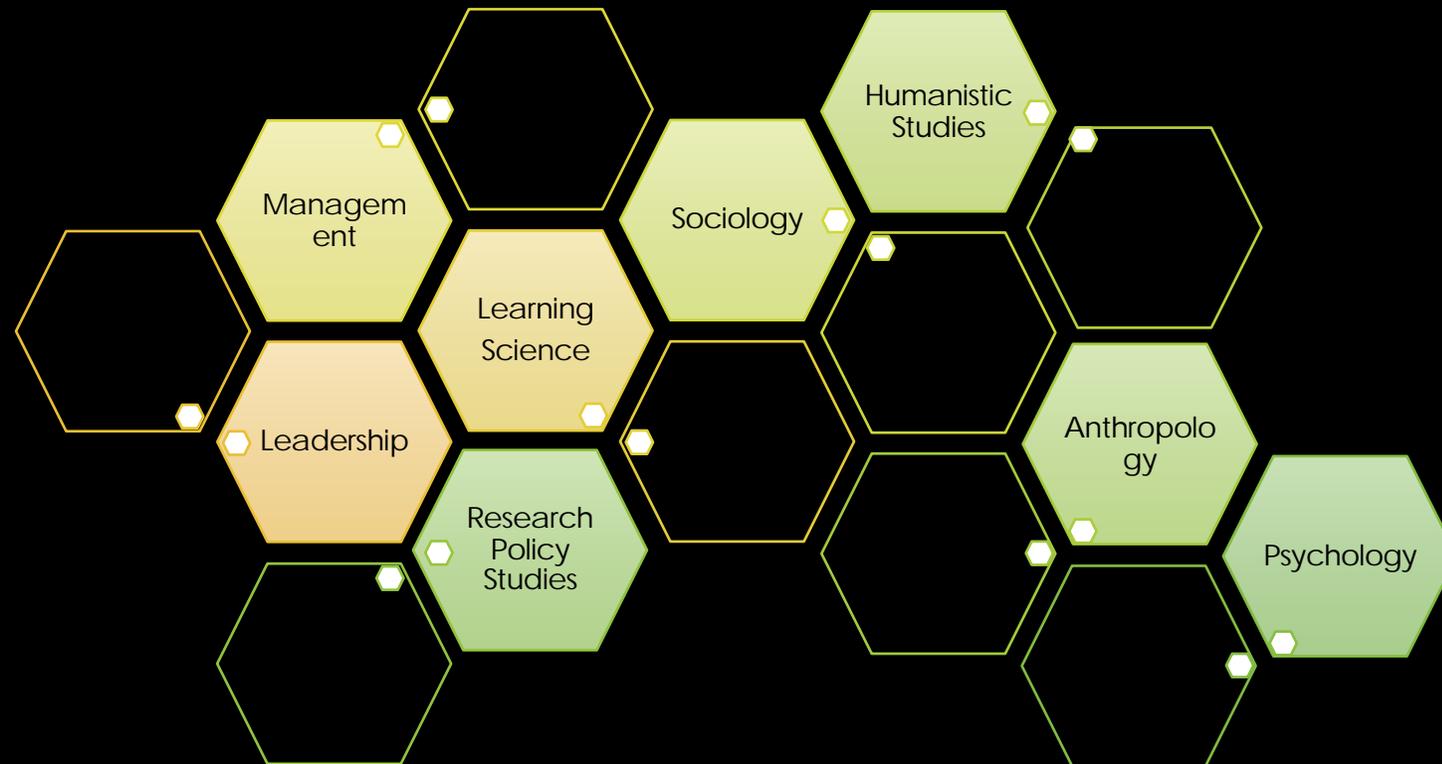
"The goals of the Accelerating Research through International Network-to-Network Collaborations (AccelNet) program are to accelerate the process of scientific discovery and prepare the next generation of U.S. researchers for multiteam international collaborations.. "

- **The SCIENCE (of teams):** Transcends disciplinary perspectives and professions and enables development and application of new methodologic or conceptual frameworks.
- **The SCIENTISTS (of teams):** Change their identity and how they view themselves; that is, no longer tied to a particular disciplinary identity.

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THE TS INTER-DISCIPLINE

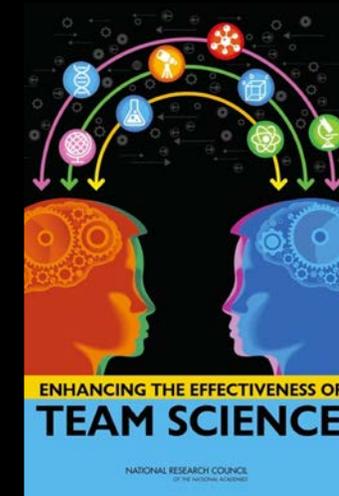


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DEFINING TEAM SCIENCE

- Team science – Scientific collaboration, i.e., research conducted by more than one individual in an interdependent fashion, including research conducted by small teams and larger groups.
- The Science-of-Team-Science— provide cumulative empirical knowledge to assist scientists, administrators, funding agencies, and policy makers in improving the effectiveness of team science.



Cooke, N., & Hilton, M. (2015). *Enhancing the effectiveness of team science*. Washington, D.C: The National Academies Press.

What are Knowledge Producing Teams (KPTs)?

Are **groups of scientific collaborators** with shared and/or aligning mental models (Cannon-Bowers, Salas & Converse 1993)

Contain unique aspects because of **expectations from the knowledge-generating environment** in which they operate (National Academy of Science 2015).

Primarily aim to **create knowledge** not ordinarily achieved outside of a collaborative environment

Have **task-oriented goals, share equipment and technologies, and develop professional and interpersonal relationships** within their unique context and content situations (Mohammed & Dumville 2001)

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What are Knowledge Producing Teams (KPTs)?

Are embedded within the **teaming process** (DeChurch & Mesmer-Magnus 2010) that grounds their purpose.

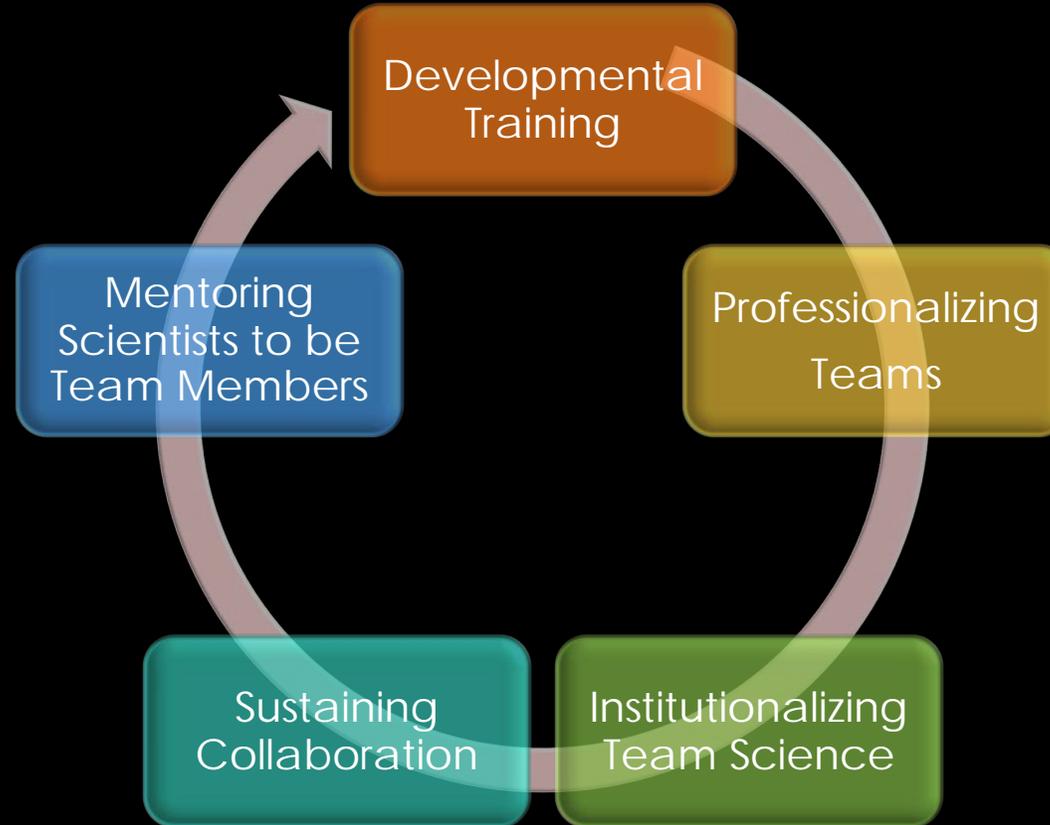
Have members are typified as collections of **highly skilled, autonomous workers trained to use specific tools and theoretical concepts with goals that produce complex, intangible, and tangible results** (Bisch-Sijtsema et al. 2011)

Require **sustainability** of projects and the alliances of these knowledge workers depend upon the continued successful collaborative motivations of individual contributors (Andreas et al. 2006)

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THE TEAM SCIENCE PIPELINE





Developmental Training

OBJECTIVES

- Training New Scientists
- Engaging, Rewarding and Assessing Teams in the Learning Environment
- Team Development amidst Individual Development

CHALLENGES

- Designing **measures of team engagement** while using other individual measures of disciplinary competency
- Create **objectives around teaming** as **set of core skills needed** for scientific success.
- Integrating **team based measurement along with individual measures** of academic mastery.



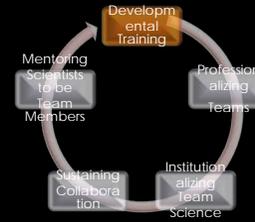
Developmental Training

*Comprehensive Assessment of Team Member Effectiveness (CATME)

Meta-Categories (p.626)

- Contributing to the Team's Work
- Interacting With Team
- Keeping the Team on Track
- Expecting Quality
- Having Relevant Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs)

Ohland, M., Loughry, M., Woehr, D., Bullard, L., & Felder, R. (2012). The comprehensive assessment of team member effectiveness development of a behaviorally anchored rating scale for self- and peer evaluation. *Academy of Management Learning & Education* : AMLE, 11(4), 609–630. <https://doi.org/10.5465/amle.2010.0177>



Developmental Training

PROJECTS TO FOLLOW:

- Center for Leading Innovation and Collaboration



Domain Task Force Sub Committee for Translational Team Science Competencies



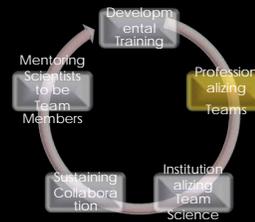
- Collaborations with SESYNC on developing Core Competencies for Team Science



- Team Science Education and Training Facebook

- Special Interest SIG (Team Science Training)





Professionalizing Teams

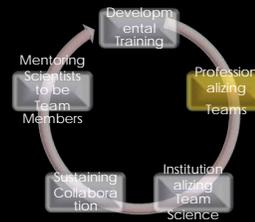
OBJECTIVES

- Establishing Professionals in Professions
- Creating reward systems that are *in tune* with science team values and individual needs
- Creating Pathways for Team Scientists

CHALLENGES

- Collaborations occur more in strategic disciplines that are application oriented than in basic disciplines, and they **focus on practical problems**.
- **Lack of incentives in the reward system and pressure to build individual reputations** result in minimizing or outright penalizing individuals' contributions.

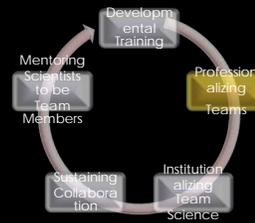
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Professionalizing Teams

- Creating a culture of reward is a comprehensive approach that spans the career life cycle, from hiring through pre-tenure and tenure review, and subsequent stages of promotion.
- Recommendations
 - Taking Preliminary Steps
 - Revising Existing Practices and Policies
 - Writing New Guidelines
 - Preparing A Dossier for Promotion and Tenure
 - Advancing Support in Professional Organizations

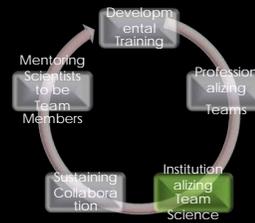
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Professionalizing Teams

- InSciTS Special Interest Group (**Fostering Team Science In Academia**)
- *Adèle Paul-Hus, Nadine Desrochers, Sarah de Rijcke, Alexander D. Rushforth, (2017) "**The reward system of science**", *Aslib Journal of Information Management*, Vol. 69 Issue: 5, pp.478-485, <https://doi.org/10.1108/AJIM-07-2017-0168>
- Key Exemplars referenced in Klein and Falk-Krzesinski (2017)
 - **American Psychological Association**
 - Advocates for mentorship that BOTH encourages individual reputation along with teaming
 - **University of Kentucky's College of Medicine**
 - Advocate Boyer's multi-scholarship model
 - **George Washington University**
 - Clarifying and encouraging cross-stakeholder engagement





Institutionalizing Team Science

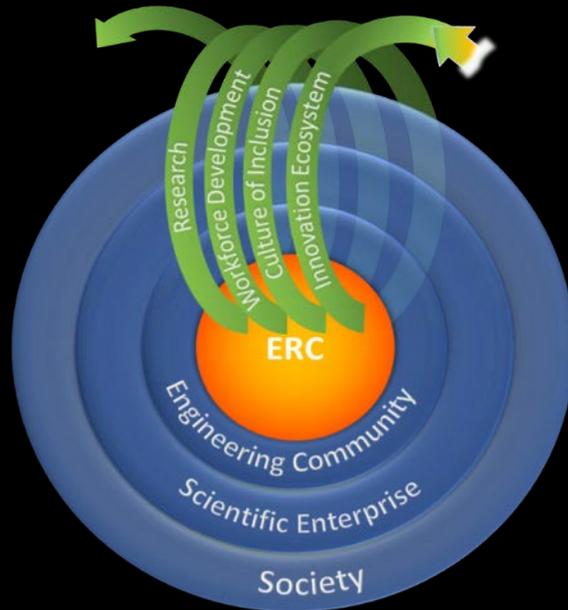
OBJECTIVES

- Team science as normative for conducting science.
- Funder and Funding priorities
- Rewarding Research Teaming
- Rewarding Translational Science

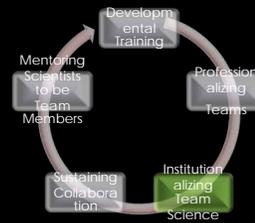
CHALLENGES

- Establishing funding streams that reward science conducted in teams.
- Developing metrics for evaluation leading to funding.

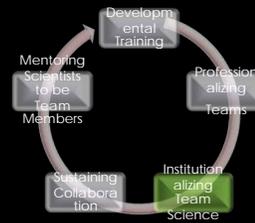
NEW NSF ERC PROGRAM MODEL



- 4 interconnected **foundational components**
 - Research
 - Workforce Development
 - Culture of Inclusion
 - Innovation Ecosystem
- Multi-layer **impact**
 - Engineering Community
 - Scientific Enterprise
 - Society



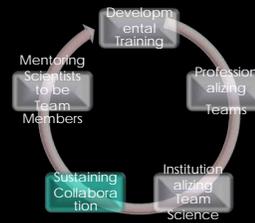
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RESOURCES

- NSF (Convergence Research)
- **Research driven by a specific and compelling problem.** Research requiring a convergence paradigm is generally inspired by the need to address a specific challenge or opportunity, **whether it arises from deep scientific questions or pressing societal needs.**
- **Deep integration across disciplines.** As experts from different disciplines pursue common research challenges, their knowledge, theories, methods, data, research communities and languages become increasingly intermingled or integrated. **New frameworks, paradigms or disciplines can form from sustained interactions across multiple communities.**



Sustaining
Collaboration

OBJECTIVES

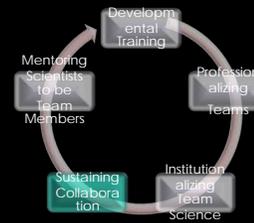
- Embrace Team Science Values
- Sensitize Team Readiness
- Measure Organizational Readiness

CHALLENGES

- **Continual and Ongoing Encouragement for Teaming** as a normative vehicle for advancing Science
- **Measurement and Evidence** that supports teaming knowledge, skills, and attitudes
- Utilizing **TS Scholarly and Practical Materials**

RESOURCES

Team Science Toolkit



Sustaining
Collaboration

- Toolkits (Major Repository of information-Team Science)
 - <https://www.teamsciencetoolkit.cancer.gov/Public/Home.aspx>
- Learning Tools
 - COALESCE (CTSA Online Assistance for Leveraging the Science of Collaborative Effort) <http://teamscience.net/>
 - <http://toolbox-project.org/toolbox-team/> (Micheal O'Rourke et al.)
- Measurement Tools
 - Collaborative Productivity Scale. Hall, KL, Stokols, D, Moser, RP, Taylor, BK, Thornquist, MD, Nebeling, LC, et al. (2008). The Collaboration Readiness of Transdisciplinary Research Teams and Centers. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 35(2S), S161-172.
 - The Transdisciplinary Orientation Scale: Factor Structure and Relation to the Integrative Quality and Scope of Scientific Publications Misra S, Stokols D, Cheng L (2015) The Transdisciplinary Orientation Scale: Factor Structure and Relation to the Integrative Quality and Scope of Scientific Publications. *J Transl Med Epidemiol* 3(2): 1042.
 - MATRICx. Motivation Assessment for Team Readiness, Integration, and Collaboration (Cattaneo, GR, Mallinson, TR et al.) www.MATRICx.net
- Field Guides
 - Collaboration and Team Science Field Guide (Bennett, Gadlin, and Levine, 2018)
 - <https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crs/research-initiatives/team-science-field-guide>





Mentoring Team Members

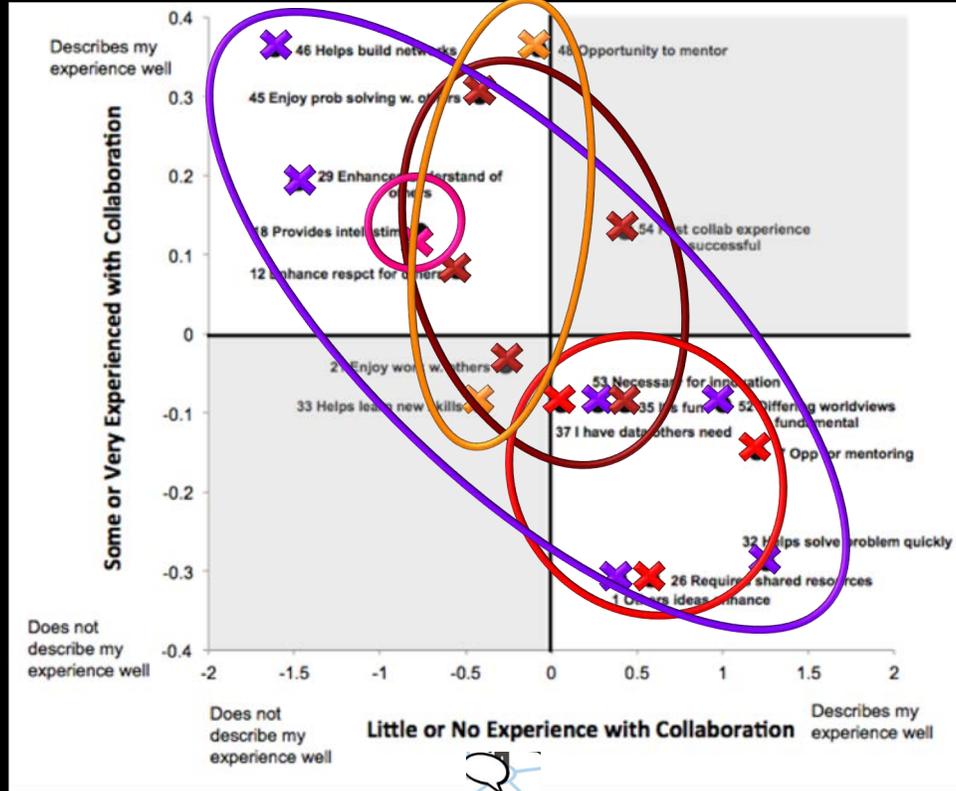
OBJECTIVES

- Feeding back into the system
- New Skills
- Understanding new skill requirements
- Leveraging Decision Making

CHALLENGE

- Understanding the **mentor/mentee relationship** and how it has changed
- Understanding **Diverse Motivations** for teaming
- **Advancing skills** that were not part of one's (traditional) career development.

RESOURCES



- Advancing Science
- Building Relationships
- Knowledge Transfer
- Resource Acquisition
- Maintenance of Beliefs
- Recognition and Reward

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Mentoring Team Members

STRUCTURAL SYSTEM COMPLEXITIES

Feature	Skill Development Foci
Complex problem solving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A heightened focus on anticipated future states [Hirsch Hadorn G et al, 2007; Weisbord M , 2004) • Goal alignment with conditions of a changing world (Entin E et al., 1999) • Focus on dealing with interpersonal team challenges • Co-developed shared mental models within KPTs (Cannon-Bowers J et al., 1993) • Social learning as part of team engagement (Schwandt D, 2008)
Stakeholder involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Translation of knowledge across disciplines (Colditz G et al., 2012) • Development and sustainability of scientific and non-scientific partnerships (Maasen S and Lieven O, 2006) • Establishing interdependence between knowledge partners (Lawrence P, Lorsch J., 1967)
Methodological pluralism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boundary spanning over boundary forming (Klein J, 2004) • Shifting awareness of problems (Nicolescu B, 2005) • Pluralism as a normative reality (Lamont M and Swidler A, 2014) • Translation of knowledge (Larson E et al., 2001)
Praxis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience-based learning is necessary for impact-based solutions (Kolb, D, 1984) • Combining formal and informal knowledge (Horlick-Jones, T et al., 2004) • Reintegrating co-created knowledge (Lang et al, 2012)

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INTERACTIVE SYSTEM COMPLEXITIES

Feature	Skill Development Foci
Open systems capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception to knowledge from outside of one's system of knowledge (Tress et al., 2003) • Conflict and power struggles can breed innovative thought (Eldridge J and Crombie A, 1975) • Interdependent relationships between actors need to contribute to shared goals (Katz D and Kahn R, 1966)
Different (shifting) levels of reality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigation of multiple realities related to a single problem (McGregor S, 2011, Nicolescu, 2006) • Mastering the consideration of diversity over different timescales, landscapes, and experiential episodes (Cilliers P, 2013) • Adaptation through self-organization (Heylighen F, 2008)
Collaborative construction and reconstruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Openness to rearranging collaborative and knowledge arrangements (Balsiger P, 2004) • Direct contact with those affected by the problem attempting to be solved (Klein, 2004)

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