“Nursing and Biobanking” Chapter Published

Jennifer Sanner, Ph.D., R.N., Co-director, Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS) Biobank and Assistant Professor, Nursing Systems at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) School of Nursing, recently co-authored with Drs. Yu and Nomie a chapter in Advances in Experimental Medicine and Biology: Biobanking in the 21st Century. The book is a comprehensive compilation of the emerging field of Biobanking. Their chapter, Nursing and Biobanking, focuses on the pivotal role of nurses in translational science, specifically their knowledge and competency for influencing and facilitating biobanking practices and promoting participant advocacy.

The book targets a broad audience of readers including academic, government, and corporate researchers and policy makers as well as patients and their advocates. The Nursing and Biobanking chapter will be of interest to nurse scientists, research nurse coordinators, clinical coordinators, and clinical research and practice nurses.


Collaboration

The UTHealth CCTS Biobank is seeking qualified researchers to participate in collaborative sharing of precious resources across UTHealth, the Texas Medical Center, and The University of Texas System. By contributing human samples and/or related data that have been consented for future use, “Contributing Investigators” can utilize the Biobank to facilitate collaborative sharing of samples and/or data with qualified “Requesting Investigators.” Contributing Investigators maintain custodianship of their samples and/or data until they decide to approve sharing with a qualified Requesting Investigator.

Other investigators may be in need of human samples and/or data for preliminary studies for extramural funding or which are otherwise hard to obtain.

The Biobank can facilitate collaborative sharing of these precious resources between Institutional Review Board-approved Requesting Investigators and Contributing Investigators to help expedite discovery and translational research.

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