

### **Registration Info:**

Registration is online only this year. Registration via credit card may be made via the online registration portal. The link is provided below.  
<https://www.eeds.com/byinviteonly/749991>



Registration will open on 25 August 2023 and will stay open through noon on 22 September 2023. Phone/fax registrations are not available at this time. Confirmation of registration will be sent via e-mail.

### **Contact Hours Statement:**

APRNs/RNs: The University of Kansas Medical Center Area Health Education Center East is approved as a provider of CNE by the Kansas State Board of Nursing. This course offering is approved for 7.2 contact hours applicable for APRNs or RNs relicensure. Kansas State Board of Nursing provider number: LT0056-0749. Mary Beth Warren, MS, RN, coordinator

**Attendance requirement:** Credit will be awarded based on documented attendance at individual sessions. The session must be attended in its entirety to receive credit.

### **Target Audience:**

This conference will benefit clinical research professionals including, but not limited to investigators, coordinators, CRA's, nurses, site managers, regulatory personnel, and QA specialists.

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**THE 26TH ANNUAL  
HARP CONFERENCE**

**06 October 2023  
7:30am – 4:00pm**

**Children's Mercy Park  
Wise Power Shield Space  
1 Sporting Way  
Kansas City, Kansas 66111**

## Registration:

Registration Fee: \$175.00

**Late registrations will not be permitted.**

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Fees include \$25 for Annual Membership in HARP.

### **Cancellation Policy:**

Registration is nonrefundable/nontransferable.

## Education Planning Committee:

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## Course Purpose:

The purpose of this program is to increase the understanding of the opportunities available to those with a background in research and to prepare for the future both individually and collectively by enhancing our communication across generations. It will also enhance our understanding of the innovations in technology pertaining to research.

## Speakers:

Doug Bittel, PhD  
Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

Emily Hurley, MPH, PhD  
Children's Mercy Hospital

Nik Schuetz, LCSW, LSCSW, PhD  
Children's Mercy Hospital

J. Nalubega Ross, MS, PhD  
Children's Mercy Hospital

Ryan McDowell, MS  
St. Luke's Health System

Judy Waechter, RN, CRRN, BCPA  
Gilda's Club Kansas City

Jay Vivian, PhD  
Children's Mercy Hospital

Sarah Apton, PhD  
The University of Kansas Health System;  
Johnson County Community College

## Conference Schedule:

7:30am	<b><u>Registration and Breakfast</u></b>
8:00am	<b><u>Molecular Genetics Data 101: What is It and How Can You Use It?</u></b> Doug Bittel, PhD
9:00am	<b><u>BREAK</u></b>
9:15am	<b><u>Formative Research and its Applications to Health Interventions</u></b> Emily Hurley, MPH, PhD; Nik Schuetz, LCSW, LSCSW, PhD; and J. Nalubega Ross, MS, PhD
10:15am	<b><u>Where's the Research? The Challenges of Delineating between Research Activities and Clinical Services...and the Ethical Implications</u></b> Ryan McDowell, MS
11:15am	<b><u>LUNCH and Board Ballots to be submitted</u></b>
12:00pm	<b><u>What's There to Like? The Value of Being Different Than Me</u></b> Judy Waechter, RN, CRRN, BCPA
1:00pm	<b><u>Animal Trials of Human Therapies: Changes in FDA Review Policies</u></b> Jay Vivian, PhD
2:00pm	<b><u>BREAK and Announcement of new Board Members for 2024</u></b>
2:15pm	<b><u>The Serious Practice of Lightening Up: Meditation, Humor, and Health</u></b> Sarah Apton, PhD
3:15pm	<b><u>Final Comments</u></b>