Date: July 12, 2013
Description: July Research Committee Meeting

Notes:

Project Tycho

- University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health
- Project: promote open access to public health data
  - Starting with national data – US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance System (NNDSS)
  - By end of summer, this dataset should be publicly available, and could be used to create benchmark datasets
  - NNDSS website has some analytics, but they will be making state-level information available <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/nndss/>

Award for Outstanding Student Abstract

- Encourage your students to apply! More information <http://www.syndromic.org/committees/research/student-abstract-award>.
- Deadline to apply is September 9th

Awards for Outstanding Research Articles in Biosurveillance

- Award Committee is finalizing the list of finalists
- Next Week: Will be sent to ISDS members for the final vote

August Literature Review: Drug Resistance

- Growing public health problem
- Seeing more and more articles on this topic
- E.g., Linking Surveillance with Action against Drug-resistant Tuberculosis is bringing fields together
- Invite an author to give an informal presentation and to chime in on discussion?
  - Would be interesting to do

Committee Member Publications

- Submit your recent publication to be highlighted on the next committee call <http://www.syndromic.org/publication-submission-form>

Research Committee Webinar: Syndromic surveillance in animal health: public, animal and food safety
• **Tuesday, July 30\(^{th}\) at 10:30am – 12:00pm ET**

• **Description:** Early detection of diseases in animal populations is key to protecting the health of companion animals and livestock. Safeguarding the health of animals aims at protecting human populations from diseases that are transmissible from animals to humans (zoonotic diseases), guaranteeing the safety of food products, and avoiding economical losses and food supply shortages due to loss of livestock. In this webinar speakers will discuss the current situation of syndromic surveillance in animal health, highlighting the challenges of dealing with animal health data in light of the current development of this field in public health. Examples of successful systems in North America and Europe will be discussed.

• **Register:** [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/341204498](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/341204498)

Other Upcoming ISDS Events

• ISDS BioSense User Community Call – July 16 – 1:00 – 2:00pm ET  
  o **Register:** [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/757553474](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/757553474)

• ICD-10 Transition Overview – July 22 – 2:30 – 3:30pm ET  
  o **Register:** [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/557929122](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/557929122)

• Prioritization: a difficult word, and technique, to master – August 1 – 1:00 – 2:30pm ET  
  o **Register:** [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/288991426](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/288991426)

• Discover the 2013 ISDS Conference – August 7 – 1:00 - 2:00pm ET  
  o **Register:** [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/869834714](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/869834714)

Next steps:

• Register for the July Research Committee webinar, ‘Syndromic surveillance in animal health: public, animal and food safety’ [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/341204498](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/341204498)

• Vote for the ‘Awards for Outstanding Research Articles in Biosurveillance’ next week (ISDS Members)

• Encourage graduate students to apply for the ‘Award for Outstanding Student Abstract.’ More information: [http://www.syndromic.org/committees/research/student-abstract-award](http://www.syndromic.org/committees/research/student-abstract-award).

• Submit your recent publication to be highlighted on the next committee call taking place on August 9\(^{th}\) at 1:00pm ET: [http://www.syndromic.org/publication-submission-form](http://www.syndromic.org/publication-submission-form).

• Register for the upcoming literature review on August 21\(^{st}\) at noon ET. Register: [https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/546100834](https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/546100834).