PROGRESS REPORT

Working Group Name: Research at TAMU Health

Working Group #: 16

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Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:

This is the first report for WG16. The committee opened implementation talks by discussing a "discover-develop-deliver" model that spans the traditional basic science-to-translation path of health/bio R&D. We also discussed in depth the support functions (at both the HSC and University levels) including SRS administrative support and legal reviews.

Next Major Issue to be Addressed:

Delineation of how the 5 HSC components can best align with and leverage the described path (above) with focus on role of HSC level institutes and centers (e.g., IBT, CIADM). This includes identification of needed/expanded support (e.g., personnel, facilities).

Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified:

Members of the committee noted a lack of visibility into formalizing external research activities and on stages/standing of proposal development.

Deliverables Completed:

The group has focused thus far on: 1. the HSC view on continuum of health/bio R&D; and 2. the three strategic focus areas for the HSC and how these areas align with efforts in the five schools and instruct long-term investments and hiring. Hard deliverables related to the recommendation are scheduled for our next 1-3 meetings (e.g, organizational design of HSC-level centers/institutes related to the strategic goals).

Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables:

Group anticipates no impediment to hitting "Path Forward" milestone dates for organizational charts and alignment of HSC centers/institutes with research activities in the five HSC schools.