



# Wisconsin Research Administrators Network (WiRAN) Symposium Agenda

**Location: Glacier Canyon Lodge at the  
Wilderness Resort**

## December 5, 2022

11:00am to 12:00pm Wilderness Foyer	Registration/Check-In
11:00am to 4:30pm Wilderness Foyer	Coffee, specialty hot teas, assorted soda and bottled water will be available throughout the day.
12:00pm-12:45pm Wilderness 3	<b>Lunch Sponsored by University of Wisconsin System</b> A grilled, marinated chicken breast, pineapple salsa, sesame seeds, green onion, jasmine rice served with green salad, dinner rolls and vegetable
12:45pm-1:15pm Wilderness 2	<b>Welcome to WiRAN 2022</b> Carl Fox - Chief Research Administration Officer, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater  Johannes Britz - Sr. Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, University of Wisconsin-System
1:15pm-2:00pm Wilderness 2	<b>Federal Agencies</b> Moderator: Allison Steil - Director for Federal Relations, University of Wisconsin System  Speakers:  Todd Strother - Senior Technology Consultant, Wisconsin Center for Technology Commercialization  Julie Lassa, Wisconsin State Director, USDA  Kristin Peterson - Business & Cooperative Programs Director, Rural Development, USDA  Tom Baron - Economic Development Representative for Wisconsin, Economic Development Agency

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<b>2:00pm-2:15pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>Wilderness 3</b>	Assorted cookies and chocolate brownies
<b>2:15pm-3:00pm</b>	<b>Working with Your Foundation panel</b>
<b>Wilderness 2</b>	Moderator: James Huycke - Grants Coordinator, Moraine Park Technical College
	Speakers:
	Katie Kuznacic - Interim Vice Chancellor of University Relations, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
	Hannah Wallisch - Director of Development, University of Wisconsin-Parkside
	Kimera Way - CEO, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Foundation
<b>2:15pm-3:00pm</b>	<b>Research-Collaborating Across the State</b>
<b>Wilderness 1</b>	Moderator: Molly Van Wagner - Director, Research & Grants, University of Wisconsin-River Falls
	Speakers:
	Jamie Schneider - Professor of Chemistry, Assistant Dean-College of Arts and Sciences, University of Wisconsin-River Falls
	Shauna Nischik - Executive Director of Grants, Lakeshore Technical College
	Will Hoyer - Director, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, University of Wisconsin-Platteville
<b>3:15pm-4:00pm</b>	<b>Private Foundations Panel</b>
<b>Wilderness 2</b>	Moderator: Ranelle Graber - Grants Analyst, The Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc.
	Speakers:
	Arvind Gopalratnam - Executive Director, Milwaukee Bucks Foundation
	Sarah Driscoll - Philanthropic Coordinator, Ice Age Trail Alliance
	Kristen Mekemson - Vice President of Development and Philanthropic Services, Greater Milwaukee Foundation

3:15pm-4:00pm

Wilderness 1

### **New to Research Administration-Its Greek to Me**

Moderator: Gina Jahn - Manager of Research Development, WiSys

Speakers:

Becky Mueller, CRA - Associate Director, Research & Sponsored Programs, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Julie Dresen - Director Grants & Special Projects, Madison College

Melissa Nielsen - Director, Research & Sponsored Programs, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

4:15pm-5:00pm

Wilderness 1

### **State Agencies**

Moderator: Laura Dunek - Associate Vice President, Research and Academic Innovation, and Senior Advisor, Governance and Strategic Initiatives, University of Wisconsin-System

Speakers:

Scott Hull - Director Office of Applied Science, Department of Natural Resources

Carl Frederick - Research Analyst, Department of Public Instruction

Tyler Oettinger - Quality Review and Performance Analysis Section Manager, Department of Children & Families Bureau of Performance Management

4:15pm-5:00pm

Wilderness 2

### **Frontiers of BioHealth In Wisconsin**

Moderator: Carl Fox - Chief Research Administration Officer, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Speakers: Lisa Johnson - CEO, BioForward Wisconsin

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Wilderness 3

### **Networking Reception Sponsored by WiSys**

6:15pm

Dinner groups gather in foyer

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## **December 6, 2022**

8:00am-9:00am

Wilderness 3

### **Breakfast Sponsored by Grants Resource Center**

Breakfast Buffet: Crème brulee French toast, scrambled eggs, breakfast potatoes, bacon, sausage links, assorted muffins, pastries and seasonal fresh fruit

9:00am-9:45am

Grants Resource Center-Overview of Capabilities & Services

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Wilderness 2	Speaker: Erika Thompson, MPA - Director, Grants Resource Center
10:00am-10:45am	<b>Principal Investigator Training Discussion</b>
Wilderness 4	Speakers: Becky Mueller, CRA - Associate Director, Research & Sponsored Programs, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Lori Trimble - Grant Officer, Research & Sponsored Programs, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
10:00am-10:45am	<b>Grant Audits: Preparing for an Audit</b>
Wilderness 2	Speaker: Kyle Everard - Audit Coordinator, University of Wisconsin-Madison
10:00am-10:45am	<b>Role of Research Offices in Workforce &amp; Economic Development</b>
Wilderness 1	Moderator: Elizabeth Thelen - Research & Business Development Officer, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Speakers: Susan Koehn - Vice President of Talent and Industry Relationships, Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce/Milwaukee 7 Carmel Ruffolo - Associate Vice President for Corporate Engagement, Marquette University Mike Carney - Interim Assistant Chancellor for Strategic Partnerships and Program Development, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
10:45am-11:15am	<b>Break</b>
Wilderness 3	Low calorie snack packs, whole fresh fruit, fresh vegetables with dill dip
11:15am-12:00pm	<b>Handling of SBIR grants at your institution</b>
Wilderness 4	Presenter: Todd Strother-Senior Technology Consultant, Wisconsin Center for Commercialization
11:15am-12:00pm	<b>Economic Development Entrepreneurial Ecosystem</b>
Wilderness 2	Moderator: Elizabeth Thelen - Research & Business Development Officer, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Speakers: Melissa Meschke - Economic Development Outreach Manager, University of Wisconsin System Institute for Business & Entrepreneurship

Kathy Henrich - Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Tech Hub Coalition

12:00pm-1:00pm

Lunch

Wilderness 3

Buffet to include roast pork tenderloin, sliced roast beef, green salad, seasonal vegetables, starch, and dinner rolls

1:00pm-1:45pm

Hot Topics Pre-award

Wilderness 1

Speakers: Jill Landrum, CRA - Grants and Contracts Office Manager, The Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc.

1:00pm-1:45pm

Post-Award Hot Topics Discuss - Bring your questions!

Wilderness 2

Join us for an engaging discussion on Post-Award topics. Do you have questions about Budget Adjustments, No Cost Extensions, PI Transfers? Engage in discussion, ask questions, and share what you know with others.

Speakers:

Angie Johnson - Interim Associate Director, Research and Financial Services Managing Officer, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dorothy Johnson - Interim Associate Director, Research and Financial Services Managing Officer, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1:00pm-1:45pm

Research Compliance - Hot Topics

Wilderness 4

Speakers:

Donna Kempf - Research Compliance Officer, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Kelly Schill - Regulatory Manager, Research Compliance - University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

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