

Where can
you see us
next?

2012 Annual
Research Meeting
Academy Health
June 24-26, 2012
Orlando, FL

Public Health &
Law Conference
October 10-12,
2012
Atlanta, GA

PRIM&R Advanc-
ing Ethical Re-
search Confer-
ence
December 4-6,
2012
San Diego, CA

NBSTRN Workgroup Meetings....

NBSTRN Bioeth-
ics & Legal
Workgroup
Meeting
June 5-6, 2012
Chicago, IL

NBSTRN Labora-
tory Workgroup
Meeting
September 27-
28
Washington, DC
****Note new lo-
cation****

NBSTRN NEWSLETTER



N B S T R N
NEWBORN
SCREENING
TRANSLATIONAL
RESEARCH
NETWORK

June 2012

INVESTIGATORS WANTED!

As you know the Newborn Screening Translational Research Network's (NBSTRN) Virtual Repository of Dried Blood Spots (VRDBS) is beginning the pilot phase with actual de-identified data from participating states in June. This is a "controlled pilot" with specified investigators using the system.

Do you (or a colleague) need access to specimens and are you interest- ed in working with one or more of the participating states? If so, please register for an account in the live system! Go to <https://vrdbns.nbstrn.org/tissuelocator-web/browse.action> and click on **Regis- ter Now**. You'll need to input contact information and upload a CV or Biosketch. Once you've browsed the system and made a request to one or more states they will review your request and determine if they can send the specimens. Each state has specific requirements regarding the use of specimens, IRB approval and Material Transfer Agreements. VRDBS-specific information for each state can be found on the NBSTRN website at <https://www.nbstrn.org/resources/state-profiles>.

Don't forget the system will be open to the public in September!

Social Media Update

The NBSTRN has found social media to be a wonderful way to access a new demographic of people and promote the NBSRN activities. The NBSTRN now has 67 Facebook "Likes" which translates into over 24,500 people viewing our posts. Updates include upcoming meetings, presentations, and sharing NBS related stories. We find this to be a wonderful resource for marketing and through our posts we see an in- crease in our webinar attendance. We are still taking on the challenge of reaching 1,000 likes and followers by the end of 2012. Help us reach our goal and "like" NBSTRN today!



facebook