SCRS Digital Innovation Initiative
Digital Innovation Interim Report

SCRS has been hard at work rapidly responding to the challenges of COVID-19 and how this has affected the sites. We continue to provide needed support to our site community, and remain committed to all SCRS programs and initiatives and the critical position we hold in the clinical research industry.

Now more than ever, we recognize the importance of the Digital Innovation Initiative (DII) and the resources that will be generated by this program. A crisis like COVID-19 only reinforces how important it is for sites and the rest of the industry to be prepared to use technology in new and innovative ways to enable a continuity of care, regardless of the situation.

We realize many of you are facing challenges with COVID-19 and the SCRS team wants to respect your time and commitment; therefore, we are still finalizing meeting dates. These workstreams will follow a similar course as the overall initiative, but will focus specifically on the two components with the large group serving as a place to disseminate the information, provide high-level strategy suggestions for the workstreams, and an avenue to stay current on progress made.

Both workstreams have similar goals centered around informing sites of the challenges and opportunities surrounding the two digital aspects, as well as the ability to enhance learning. We will also work to produce actionable outcomes that are in alignment with site sustainability by providing sites with the tools and knowledge to position themselves for continued success.

Both groups will select workstream chairs to help drive work and co-provide direction for the workstream. One of the first steps when we meet next will be to determine group leadership, create a plan for the initial actions and outcomes for the group, and determine the first set of deliverables (i.e. best practices, SOP recommendations, or checklists for the sites to utilize and reference).

While we weather this storm, I ask you all to consider volunteering as a workstream chair or co-chair. Responsibilities will include assisting with the leadership of the workstreams, presentation of work to the broader DII group, and possible presentation at SCRS Summits, industry conferences, and webinars.

Together, we can guide the industry and give sites the information and tools they need to exceed expectations around digital innovation.

Looking forward to connecting with you all soon.
- Jimmy