



## NCRR Science Education Partnership Award Annual Conference

St. Paul, MN  
May 18 - 20, 2009

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### Conference Schedule

SEPA 2009: Annual NCRR Science Education Partnership Award Conference

Science Museum of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN

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[Breakout Session Descriptions \(PDF\)](#) - [Project Descriptions Draft \(PDF\)](#)

#### Sunday, May 17

6:30 pm-9:00 pm Early Conference Check-in - Holiday Inn St. Paul - Downtown (Landmark Room)

NAHSEP Satellite Session

7:00 pm-9:00 pm National Association of Health and Science Education Partnerships (NAHSEP)  
Business Meeting and Reception  
Holiday Inn St. Paul - Downtown (Cathedral Room)

#### Monday, May 18

7:30 am-9:00 am Buffet Breakfast - Discovery Hall (level 4)  
Poster set-up - Argon Room (level 6)

7:45 am-9:00 am Late Conference Check-in - Discovery Hall Stairwell atrium (level 4)

9:00 am-9:30 am Welcome from the SEPA 2009 Conference Organizing Committee  
*Louisa A. Stark, University of Utah*

Welcome from the Science Museum of Minnesota  
*Laurie Fink, Science Museum of Minnesota*

Conference Schedule and Logistics

9:30 am-10:00 am SEPA Program Overview and Update  
*L. Tony Beck, Program Director, NIH NCRR SEPA Program*

10:00 am-10:30  
am Break

10:30 am-11:30  
am Keynote Address - The Power of Partnerships  
*Eric J. Jolly, President, Science Museum of Minnesota*

- 11:30 am-12:00 pm Speed Networking
- 12:00 pm-1:15 pm Lunch  
New SEPA PIs and staff meet with potential mentors - see table signs  
Others, join discussion topics posted on each table.
- 1:15 pm-2:45 pm Breakout Sessions  
*See Breakout Session Descriptions for additional details*
- Partnership: Science House: A Resource Center for Educators  
Room: Meet in the Discovery Hall Stairwell atrium (level 4)
- Partnership: Developing and Sustaining Long Distance Partnerships  
Room: Xenon (level 6)
- Evaluation: Evaluating Exhibits  
Room: Classrooms 9&10 (level 2)
- Evaluation: Evaluating School-Based, Summer Research and Other Student Programs  
Room: Classroom 1 (level 2)
- Sharing Materials: Integrating Bioethics into Your SEPA Curricular Materials  
Room: Classroom 2 (level 2)
- Sustainability: Strategies for Sustaining a Project  
Room: Discovery Hall (level 4)
- 2:45 pm-3:15 pm Break - Discovery Hall (level 4)
- 3:15 pm-5:30 pm Poster Session - Argon (level 6)  
3:15-4:00 - Session A Posters  
4:00-4:45 - Session B Posters  
4:45-5:30 - Session C Posters
- 5:30 pm-6:00 pm Cash Bar (available through dinner) - in the Riverway, adjacent to Elements Cafe (level 6)
- 6:00 pm-7:30 pm Dinner - Elements Cafe (level 6)
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Explore the Human Biology Gallery at the Science Museum of Minnesota (level 4)  
Visit Disease Detectives - SMM's SEPA-funded exhibit

## Tuesday, May 19

- 7:30 am-8:45 am Buffet Breakfast - Discovery Hall (level 4)  
7:30am - Required meeting for New SEPA PIs with L. Tony Beck  
Meet at designated table
- 8:45 am-9:00 am Update on the SEPA Evaluation Process and Preview of the SEPA 5-Year Strategic Plan  
*L. Tony Beck, Program Director, NIH NCRR SEPA Program*
- 9:00 am-9:15 am Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) Overview  
*L. Tony Beck, Program Director, NIH NCRR SEPA Program*
- 9:15 am-9:30 am Institutional Development Awards (IdEA) Overview  
*Krishan Arora, Program Officer, NIH NCRR SBIR and STTR Programs*
- 9:30 am-10:00 am Best Practices and Challenges in Forming and Sustaining Partnerships  
*Nancy Moreno, Baylor College of Medicine*

10:00 am-10:30  
am

Break

10:30 am-12:00  
pm

Panel: Partnership Successes and Challenges

*Facilitator: Nancy Moreno, Baylor College of Medicine*

William Cameron, Oregon Health and Science University (SEPA-CTSA)

Valence Davillier, Great Lakes Science Center (SEPA-CTSA)

Nancy Murray, University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston (SEPA-CTSA)

Ann Chester, West Virginia University (SEPA-CTSA and SEPA-IDeA)

Debbie Colbern, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (SEPA-IDeA)

Robin Fuchs-Young, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

12:00 pm-1:15 pm

Lunch - Discovery Hall (level 4)

1:15 pm-2:45 pm

Breakout Sessions

*See Breakout Session Descriptions for additional details*

Partnership: Developing Effective SEPA-CTSA Partnerships

Room: Discovery Hall (Level 4)

Partnership: Partnerships for Integrating Effective Student Learning and Professional Development Programs

Room: Classrooms 5 & 6 (Level 2)

Evaluation: Evaluating Teacher Professional Development Programs

Room: Classroom 1 (Level 2)

Project Design: Health Decision-Making for Student and Adult Audiences

Room: Classroom 2 (Level 2)

Sharing Materials: FoodMASTER: Enhancing Math and Science Education through Food-based Activities

Room: Classrooms 9 & 10 (Level 2)

Behind-the-Scenes Tour of the Science Museum of Minnesota

Room: Meet in the Discovery Hall Stairwell atrium (Level 4)

2:45 pm-3:15 pm

Break - Discovery Hall (level 4)

3:15 pm-4:45 pm

Breakout Sessions

*See Breakout Session Descriptions for additional details*

Partnership: Collaborations to Develop a Broader Footprint

Room: Discovery Hall (Level 4)

Partnership: Developing Effective Partnerships with School Systems

Room: Classrooms 5&6 (level 2)

Evaluation: Evaluating Curriculum Materials

Room: Classroom 1 (Level 2)

Dissemination: Strategies for Exhibit Dissemination

Room: Classrooms 9 & 10 (Level 2)

Dissemination: Molecular Models for Engaged Learning

Room: Classroom 2 (level 2)

Sustainability: The SBIR and STTR Grant Programs

Room: Classrooms 5 & 6 (Level 2)

4:45 pm-5:00 pm Take down posters  
Need to vacate building at 5pm

5:55 pm-6:20 pm Catch one of several shuttles at Holiday Inn for Padleford Boats  
or make the short walk yourself  
[See Map](#)

6:30 pm-9:30 pm Riverboat cruise and dinner on the Mississippi River  
Riverboat will return to dock at appx. 9 pm  
Guests are welcome to stay on board and can depart at anytime up to 9:30  
Return shuttles to the Holiday Inn will run continuously from 9:10 until all guests have been returned.

### Wednesday, May 20

7:30 am-8:30 am Buffet Breakfast - Discovery Hall (level 4)

8:30 pm-10:00 am Breakout Sessions  
*See Breakout Session Descriptions for additional details*

Partnership: SEPA-IDeA Partnerships  
Room: Classrooms 5 & 6 (Level 2)

Partnership: Partnerships Between *Informal* and *Formal* Science  
Education Programs  
Room: Xenon (level 6)

Project Design: Designing Effective Teacher Professional Development Programs  
Room: Classrooms 9&10 (level 2)

Evaluation: Evaluating Informal Programs for Students, Families and Adults  
Room: Classroom 1 (level 2)

Evaluation: Student Question Complexity as an Evaluation Metric  
Room: Classroom 2 (Level 2)

Dissemination: Strategies for Disseminating Your Materials and Programs  
Room: Argon (Level 6)

Interest Groups:  
Program Managers - Meet at designated table in Discovery Hall  
Teachers - Meet at designated table in Discovery Hall

10:00 am-10:15  
am Break - Discovery Hall (level 4)

10:15 am-11:15  
am Town Meeting - Discovery Hall (level 4)  
Long-range planning: Developing a SEPA 5-year plan  
*L. Tony Beck, Program Director, NIH NCRR SEPA Program*

11:15 am-12:15  
pm Lunch - Discovery Hall (level 4)  
  
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