



CTTG NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the June 2026 CTTG newsletter!

Meeting Reminder – Steering Committee at CSTM – Friday, June 5, 2026

A reminder that the next meeting is coming up soon! We look forward to connecting in person, sharing updates, and discussing key priorities for the network moving forward. Stay tuned for an email containing preparation materials.

Final request for feedback – Network Evaluation Survey

The survey will help us better understand what is working well, where we can improve, and how CTTG can better support members, working groups, trainees, and investigators across Canada. Please take a few minutes to complete the [survey](#). We appreciate your honest feedback and suggestions.

Seeking a CTTG patient representative

We are looking to identify a patient representative interested in contributing to network activities and helping us reflect patient perspectives in our research. If you know someone who may be interested in getting involved, please contact Amie Malkin (amie.malkin@sunnybrook.ca).

CIHR Faces of Health Research Profile Series

CTTG members are encouraged to participate in CIHR's [Faces of Health Research](#) profile series. This is a great opportunity to highlight the people behind health research and show the impact of transfusion medicine research work across Canada.

June 18th Lecture Series – Stay tuned for a calendar invite

Dr. Shane English will be presenting on 'Piloting the Protocol'. Looking forward to seeing you there!

REDBlog Post Live – CTTG Paper of the Year

We encourage members to read and share the [feature](#) on the FARES-II study, first-authored by Dr. Keyvan Karkouti.

Help Us Grow the CTTG Community

Know a colleague or trainee who could benefit from joining our network? Invite them to complete our membership form and become part of a supportive, research-driven community.



If you have items you'd like to include in future newsletters (milestones, publications, trainee highlights, trial updates, upcoming events), just reply to this email.

Working Group Corner

- CTTG working groups are asked to continue developing a clear and tangible "service menu" outlining the types of support, expertise, and feedback they can provide to members.
- These menus will help members better understand how and when to engage working groups during study development.

Member Spotlight – Dr. Kelly Holloway Vice-Chair, Community Engagement Working Group



Dr. Holloway is a medical sociologist with interdisciplinary training in health policy and political economy. She is a Scientist with Canadian Blood Services' Innovation & Portfolio Management, where her work focuses on understanding donors and recipients of blood products within political, social, and economic contexts. Dr. Holloway uses qualitative and community-based participatory research to address under-representation of racialized and marginalized communities in blood, plasma, and stem cell donation. As Vice-Chair of the Community Engagement Working Group, she advocates for patient, donor, and community engagement in transfusion trials through resource development and relationship building.