Topic Ideas for the 2023 IACRN Conference

- **Research Ethics & Protection of Research Participants**
  - Overcoming health disparities in clinical research
  - Ethical considerations and the impact on subjects with less traditional studies. (e.g., decentralized trials, Artificial Intelligence)
- **Informed Consent**
  - Consent and e-consent development, implementation, and documentation
  - Assent process for children and adults
- **Protocol Development, Review and Approval**
  - Impact and tips for developing various clinical trials with less traditional study designs (e.g., decentralized clinical trials, basket/umbrella clinical trials)
  - Eligibility criteria: Diversity, inclusivity, equity
  - Feasibility and planning, low accrual and closure
  - Mobile health/Advancements in data collection technologies (use of mobile devices, use of wearable device)
- **Financial: Study Feasibility and Billing Compliance**
  - Protocol feasibility (e.g., processes, what is involved, who is involved) and CRN role in protocol feasibility assessment and operationalization
  - Developing budgets/contracts for clinical research/clinical trials
  - Research billing compliance: concerns and traps/pitfalls to avoid
  - Budget negotiation: achieving adequate returns for the work that is put into a study.
- **Recruitment and Retention**
  - Cultural competency during recruitment
  - Subject recruitment and retention strategies
- **Drug and Device Development**
  - Drug development process: similarities and difference between US and other regions
  - Device development process/device trials
- **Roles and Responsibilities of the Clinical Research Nurse and Research Team**
  - Exploring the scope/roles of CRN specialty (e.g, advocate, study coordinator, project manager, direct care nurse, advanced practice nurse)
  - Delineation of role between CRN and other licensed and non-licensed staff
  - Information technology to increase work effectiveness
- **Study Conduct and Participant Care**
  - Implementation aspects related to study conduct
  - Implementation of various trial designs (e.g., decentralized clinical trials, Basket/umbrella clinical trials)
  - Challenges and strategies for operationalizing a study
    - Strategies for study start-up
    - Strategies for participant protocol adherence
    - Use of virtual methods
  - Managing essential documents/research records
  - CRN impact, experience, and lessons learned from Decentralized Trials
  - Working with challenging PIs, participants, and families

- **Data and Safety Monitoring and Reportable Events**
    - Data management and sharing plans and the role of the CRN
    - Managing reportable events to the IRB/IEC and/or sponsor
    - Quality management activities for research sites
    - Impact of virtual monitoring and auditing/Remote monitoring visits
    - Regulatory inspection preparation and response
- **Research Site Management**
    - Development and/or us of protocol acuity tools
    - Managing a remote workforce
    - Staffing models (e.g., use of licensed and unlicensed personnel)
- **Participant Focused Case Discussions**
    - Details of care or interventions of the CRN that affected the outcome for participants
    - Confounding conditions or interesting events that impacted the decision making process
    - Insights that could be applied to CRN Practice
    - Patient Safety Events or Near Misses where CRN impacted patient safety
- **Professional Development**
    - Leadership role of the CRN
    - Scope of practice, how to function to the highest level with a nursing license in research
    - CRN scope of practice and tips on role independence
    - Career paths for the CRN
    - Specifics examples of CRN training/education programs at research sites
    - How to develop, write and submit a manuscript
    - Exemplars on the use of the IACRN Core Curriculum