# Flight Tracker Consortium Meeting

May 20, 2020 Discussion about Future Directions

Led by Scott Pearson



#### **Meeting Agenda**

- Ongoing Use and External Data-Sharing A Discussion led by Scott Pearson (Vanderbilt)
- What's New and What's Next?
  - Connectivity Checker
  - Continued testing of NIH Tables
  - Coming Up: Data-sharing among Flight Tracker instances at one institution
  - Next Meeting: Advanced Configurations

#### State of Consortium



- 12 institutions expressed interest in pilot
- 5 institutions are verified to be collecting data
- 2 more institutions getting off the ground
- 2 more institutions getting organized
- 3 unknown status
- Need: Applicability of data how to use? Identifying questions for data



#### **Remaining Topics to Cover**

- 1. Advanced Configurations
- 2. Mentoring, Resources, and Feedback

→ Covers through end of June



#### Questions

- How are things going?
- Is the pacing of what we're presenting good or are we moving too quickly?
- What topics would you like covered?

### Future of Consortium (1/2)



- Spread: Word of Mouth
- Continue bug fixes
- Ongoing development work
- Collaboration on institution-specific data?

### Future of Consortium (2/2)



- Need for scientific/data-driven approach to career development
  → Continue work in area
- Slow down consortium meetings?
- COVID-related uncertainty
  - → Need to free up administrative time via automated reporting

### **Open Questions (1/2)**



- Goal: Crons run first time, out of the box
- Multiple Flight Tracker instances at one institution
  Project Chat Inside
- Mentor-Mentee Relationships
- ORCID in all areas (especially RePORTER)

#### **Open Questions (2/2)**



- Unknown: What actually works in Career Development? And how can we know that it's working?
- Project Chat Outside: Data Aggregation (Next Slide)
- Others?

# **Data Aggregation Status**



- Lack of universal best practices in Academic Career Development
- Literature in niches; apples-to-oranges comparisons
- We're collecting data in same format across multiple sites

## **Data Aggregation Issues**



- Credit: Needs to be shared
- Ownership of data: Manual opt-in?
- Timing: Definitely not ready yet. Need demographics collection and infrastructure built. Aim for next winter? Or wait until mentoring agreement project ready?

# What's New and What's Next?



- Proxy configuration
- NIH Reporting Tables Testing
- Data sharing within institution Chat Inside
- Mentor-mentee relationship
- Next Meeting: Advanced Configurations