

## Emerging Technology Participant Information – NSGC Oct 12, 2007

see [www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology/](http://www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology/) for more information

Welcome! You are receiving this message because you have pre-registered for the NSGC Educational Breakout Session (EBS) on Emerging Technology. We are looking forward to your participation. This workshop is designed to give you **hands-on practice** with technology for clinical and educational uses. Everyone is required to bring a wireless laptop with a microphone and webcam (see [www.skype.com/](http://www.skype.com/)\* to order an inexpensive set). Please read the following carefully to assure the success of the workshop. Workshop leaders have used the technology, but the nuances of each continue to develop and change. By using the applications prior to the workshop, you will bring experiences to share and actively exchange technology skills with other participants.

**Prior to the workshop**, you are required to spend approximately **2-3 hours testing your wireless connectivity, function of your microphone and web cam, downloading free software, and registering to use the applications**. Please do this in the next two weeks so that **your** technical support staff can make needed adjustments to your laptop computer PRIOR to coming to Kansas City. Unfortunately, there will be NO individual technical support for basic computer installations, microphones, webcams, and software installation at the workshop.

- Every participant will bring a **laptop** with wireless connectivity. Fully charge batteries for 2 hours of use.
- Each participant should **test** their wireless connectivity PRIOR to the workshop at a Borders, Starbucks, Panera or other wireless location (not home or work)
- Each participant should download the **software** for Skype, Second Life, and have PowerPoint installed
- A **microphone** and **webcam** should be purchased and installed (and tested) prior to the workshop. Experience tells us that microphone adjustments take the most time.

**\*\*\*\*\* Important: Two (2) weeks prior to the workshop (by Friday, September 28th). Please e-mail this information to me ([dcollins@kumc.edu](mailto:dcollins@kumc.edu)) or fax 913.588.4060:**

1. Type of laptop computer you will bring
2. Confirm that your laptop has been tested for wireless connectivity at a site such as Panera, Borders, Starbucks, or other (not at your home or office)
3. Type of microphone (with headphones – Plantronics or other), tested and working
4. Type of webcam (Logitech or other), tested and working
5. Confirm your installation of Skype ([www.skype.com](http://www.skype.com)), send the “Skype name” and e-mail address you registered
6. Confirm your installation of Second Life (free, <https://secure-web7.secondlife.com/>). Create your avatar (caricature of yourself) and send your avatar’s name. With your avatar, visit Pietro's Place in Second Life ([slurl.com/secondlife/Yora/3/114/25](http://slurl.com/secondlife/Yora/3/114/25)) prior to the workshop - a beach with fun stuff to do and free items to copy.
7. Confirm that you have PowerPoint installed – find “Slide Show” on the PowerPoint menu bar, then select “Record Narration...” from the drop down menu. Download the practice PowerPoint slide show from the workshop web site [www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology/handouts.html](http://www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology/handouts.html) onto your laptop prior to the workshop.
8. Provide an e-mail address to send your invitation for the Elluminate Live session, please practice this prior to the session, and bookmarked the site, [www.illuminate.com/demo/live\\_demo.jsp](http://www.illuminate.com/demo/live_demo.jsp)
9. Confirm that you have visited and bookmarked the WikiGenetics site, [http://wikigenetics.org/index.php/Main\\_Page](http://wikigenetics.org/index.php/Main_Page)

The **website** for this workshop is [www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology](http://www.kumc.edu/gec/kc/emergingtechnology). Please **print handouts** on this web site and bring them with you to the workshop for reference. Check for workshop **updated information** on this site.

When you arrive at the workshop (short bus ride or walk from the convention hotel – at Screenland Theater, see web site for map), you will be instructed to search for a wireless network, then proceed to a room to:

- interact with other participants (through Skype or a virtual world), [www.skype.com](http://www.skype.com)
- narrate a PowerPoint presentation, use a whiteboard, [www.imaginationcubed.com/](http://www.imaginationcubed.com/) or explore [Youtube.com](http://Youtube.com)
- learn about creating a podcast (requires Camtasia software, purchased prior to workshop, see website links)
- interact in the virtual world with your Avatar (the one you created prior to the workshop in Second Life)
- edit a WikiGenetics entry, for example see [http://wikigenetics.org/index.php/Genetic\\_Counseling](http://wikigenetics.org/index.php/Genetic_Counseling)

Additionally, everyone will:

- contribute information to a shared workspace on how this technology might be used in clinical or education settings (to be posted on the workshop website following the workshop)
- participate in an Elluminate Live session
- have fun! light snacks - water and soft drinks will be provided at the workshop site

\* Note: Skype compatible microphone / webcam, see computer supply stores (CompUSA, MicroCenter, BestBuy, SharperImage, Amazon.com) or: [us.accessories.skype.com/servlet/ControllerServlet:?Action=DisplayPage&Locale=en\\_US&SiteID=skype&id=ProductDetailsPage&productID=70759400](http://us.accessories.skype.com/servlet/ControllerServlet:?Action=DisplayPage&Locale=en_US&SiteID=skype&id=ProductDetailsPage&productID=70759400)