

# Get to Know the ACR RISE Registry Staff



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## The RISE Registry Team

The ACR RISE registry staff is here to help you! Please reach out to us if you have any questions about your participation in RISE.



**Adam Cooper, MS**  
*VP, Practice, Advocacy, and Quality*

Adam Cooper, MS, has over 18 years of experience in public policy and has worked for the past 10 years with the ACR focusing on advancing rheumatology. He leads the ACR's Practice, Advocacy & Quality department, and also oversees the ACR's RISE registry. When not at work, Adam enjoys reading (especially history and biographies), traveling, and hiking the north Georgia mountains. You can reach Adam at [acooper@rheumatology.org](mailto:acooper@rheumatology.org) or 404-633-3777 x881.



**Tracy Johansson, MS**  
*Sr. Director, Registry*

Tracy Johansson, MS, has been a member of the RISE team since March 2016. She was introduced to the field of rheumatology through her previous role with the Rheumatology Research Foundation. Tracy's primary responsibilities include managing the ACR's suite of rheumatology quality measures and their implementation in RISE, as well as overseeing the use of RISE data for research. Tracy is an avid sports fan and enjoys reading (more often, listening to) sci-fi/fantasy books. You can reach Tracy at [tjohansson@rheumatology.org](mailto:tjohansson@rheumatology.org) or 404-633-3777 x105.

## Registry Operations Team

*Director, Registry Operations—VACANT*



**Lindsey Ottaviano, MS**  
*Sr. Specialist, Registry Operations*

Lindsey Ottaviano, MS, started with the RISE team in November 2019. She has worked at the ACR for over four years and previously worked in the Education—Training and Workforce department. Lindsey's primary responsibility is to assist current and incoming RISE users in utilizing the registry to its fullest potential and managing user inquiries. Outside of work, Lindsey enjoys cooking, lap swimming, and listening to podcasts and audiobooks. You can reach Lindsey at [lottaviano@rheumatology.org](mailto:lottaviano@rheumatology.org) or 404-633-3777 x812.



**Allison Plitman, MPA**  
*Sr. Specialist, Registry Communications*

Allison Plitman, MPA, started working for the RISE team in January 2020. This is her first role with the ACR, and she is excited to be a member of the RISE team. Allison's primary responsibility is managing RISE's marketing and communications to effectively tell the story of the registry's benefits to current and future users. When not at work, Allison loves cycling, listening to podcasts, and annoying her cats. You can reach Allison at [aplitman@rheumatology.org](mailto:aplitman@rheumatology.org) or 404-365-2136 x136.

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## Registry Analytics Team



**Tom Tack**

***Director, Registry Analytics***

Tom Tack joined the ACR and the RISE team in July 2022. He has more than 30 years of experience across many verticals and therapeutic areas of healthcare and his experience ranges from start-ups to Fortune 100 companies. Tom's primary responsibility is growing the data access pathways for the RISE registry, including requests from the academic community, corporate entities and others who request analyses for the RISE registry. Outside of work, Tom enjoys travel, live music events, movies and watching sports—especially ice hockey. Tom can be reached at [ttack@rheumatology.org](mailto:ttack@rheumatology.org) or at 404-633-3777 x137.



**Amy Bennett, JD**

***Sr. Specialist, Quality & Registry Analytics***

Amy Bennett, JD, has been working with the RISE team since February 2023. She is responsible for quality measure development, implementation of ACR measures in the RISE registry, and RISE-related grant activities aimed at improving SLE management. Amy has nine years of experience in guideline and quality measure development and implementation and over 10 years of service in various healthcare settings, including emergency care and quality improvement. Outside of work, Amy enjoys bingeing suspenseful TV series, learning new arts and crafts, and exploring local state parks when the Minnesota weather allows. You can reach Amy at [abennett@rheumatology.org](mailto:abennett@rheumatology.org) or 404-633-3777 x158.



**Amber Washington**

***Coordinator, Registry Analytics***

Amber Washington has been working with RISE since October 2019. Before becoming a part of the RISE team, she worked as the Administrative Assistant for the ACR's Practice, Advocacy, and Quality department for two years. Amber's primary responsibilities include managing the process for reviewing requests to analyze RISE data and moving approved requests through the analytic pipeline. Amber loves taking dance/fitness classes and more recently, being up in the air on aerial silks! You can reach Amber at [awashington@rheumatology.org](mailto:awashington@rheumatology.org) or 404-633-3777 x841.