

# ENHANCING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TEAM SCIENCE

## National Research Council Report

### “Prenuptial Agreement” for Scientists

- Offers discussion questions to help collaborators commence a project by anticipating, discussing, and resolving possible areas of disagreement common to many collaborations.
- Helps them define expectations related to goals, roles, products, authorship, etc.

### Example Questions:

- What are the expected contributions of each participant?
- What will be your mechanism for routine communications among members of the research team (to ensure that all appropriate members of the team are kept fully informed of relevant issues)?
- What will be the criteria and the process for assigning authorship and credit?
- When and how will you handle intellectual property and patent applications?
- How and by whom will data be managed? How will access to data be managed? How will you handle storage and access to data after the project is complete?

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## ABOUT TEAM SCIENCE

*Enhancing the Effectiveness of Team Science*, gives attention how teams works in the science research community that can be easily translated into a guide for teams responsible for the physical environment for learning on a campus, whether it be focusing on new or repurposed spaces or as part of an ongoing institutional focus on learning spaces.

For example: they define team as: two or more individuals with different roles and responsibilities, who interact socially and interdependently within an organizational system to perform tasks and accomplish common goals. Then they illustrate the complexity of collaboration.

