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**Tuesday,
December 10th**

***Transition from Individual Contributor to
Leader/Manager***

Gwen Acton, Ph.D. CEO of Vivo Group

12:00-2:00pm | BU School of Medicine Room L-203

Email: Yolanta@bu.edu to register

Workshop Description:

The transition from individual contributor to leader/manager can be the most challenging shift of a career. Being a manager demands a deeper appreciation of the impact of one's style and greater flexibility in order to be able to deal with a variety of people.

In this program you will learn the concepts and skills critical to a successful assumption of leadership.

Speaker Bio:

Gwen Acton, Ph.D., CEO of Vivo Group. Dr. Acton is an expert on strategic leadership at the intersection of science and business. As the CEO of Vivo Group, she works with companies to increase the productivity and innovation of technically trained experts, as well as improve the ability of scientists and engineers to successfully navigate the life science and technology industries. Prior to this, Dr. Acton was Director of Scientific Development at the Whitehead Institute/MIT Center for Genome Research where she oversaw operations of a \$40million dollar research program. She earned a doctorate in biology from MIT, and served as a faculty member in biology at Harvard University. Dr. Acton is the former president of the non-profit group Women Entrepreneurs in Science and Technology (WEST), and currently serves on the board of the Bioscience Network (TBN). Dr. Acton is the author of the book *The Bluffer's Guide to Genetics*.

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