## Behavioral Research Program (BRP)

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#### **About BRP**

BRP initiates, supports, and evaluates a comprehensive program of research, including basic behavioral and psychological science as well as the development, testing, and dissemination of interventions in cancer control areas such as tobacco use, diet and energy balance, and sun protection.

Our goal is to increase the breadth, depth, and quality of behavioral research in cancer prevention and control.

#### **Programmatic Priority Areas**

- Cancer-Related Health Behaviors
- Biopsychosocial Processes of Cancer-Related Behaviors
- Communication, Decision Science, and Policy in Cancer Control
- Analytic Methods and New Technologies

# Organizational Structure



#### **Funding**

Although many investigator-initiated (unsolicited) applications for research project grants are received for new, expanded, and/or high-priority programs, BRP may also support grant applications through program announcements (PA) or Requests for Applications (RFA) in a specific area of interest. Research priorities are defined in each of the branch missions; you are also encouraged to contact program staff to learn more about behavioral research at NCI.

### Select Funding Opportunity Announcements in BRP (updated April 2017)

Perception and Cognition Research to Inform Cancer Image Interpretation PAR-17-125 (R01) and PAR-17-124 (R21)	Contact: Todd Horowitz todd.horowitz@nih.gov
Innovative Approaches to Studying Cancer Communication in the New Media Environment (PAR-16-249 (R01) and PAR-16-248 (R21)	Contact: Kelly Blake kelly.blake@nih.gov
Oral Anticancer Agents: Utilization, Adherence, and Health Care Delivery PA-17-060 (R01) and PA-17-061 (R21)	Contact: Wendy Nelson wendy.nelson@nih.gov
Stimulating Innovations in Behavioral Intervention Research for Cancer Prevention and Control (PAR-16-278 (R21)	Contact: Tanya Agurs-Collins collinsta@mail.nih.gov
Tobacco Use and HIV in Low and Middle Income Countries PAR-17-087 (R01) and PAR-17-086 (R21)	Contact: Mark Parascandola mark.parascandola@nih.gov
Cancer-related Behavioral Research through Integrating Existing Data (PAR-16-256 (R01) and PAR-16-255 (R21)	Contact: Richard Moser moserr@mail.nih.gov
Fundamental Mechanisms of Affective and Decisional Processes in Cancer Control (PAR-16-380 (R01)	Contact: Rebecca Ferrer rebecca.ferrer@nih.gov

A complete list of BRP funding opportunities can be found at cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpfunding.

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#### Basic Biobehavioral and Psychological Sciences Branch (BBPSB)

**BBPSB** advances research in biobehavioral mechanisms and psychological processes to reduce cancer risk and improve outcomes.



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### Health Behaviors Research Branch (HBRB)

HBRB supports and catalyzes research on the discovery, development, testing, and implementation of effective strategies to promote healthy lifestyle behaviors for cancer prevention and control.



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Health Communication and Informatics Research Branch (HCIRB)

HCIRB advances research on the processes and effects of communication and informatics across the cancer control continuum.



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## **Tobacco Control Research Branch (TCRB)**

**TCRB** leads and collaborates on research and disseminates evidence-based findings to prevent, treat, and control tobacco use.

View the complete staff list with research areas and contact information at cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpstaff.

#### **Key Initiatives, Tools, and Resources**

- Cognitive, Affective, and Social Processes in Health Research (CASPHR) Workgroup
- Classification of Laws Associated with School Students (CLASS)
- Family Life, Activity, Sun, Health, and Eating (FLASHE) Study
- Grid-Enabled Measures (GEM)
- Health Disparities Research
- Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS)
- Smokefree.gov
- State and Community Tobacco Control Policy and Media Research
- Tobacco Control Monograph Series

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