

# Behavioral Research Program (BRP)

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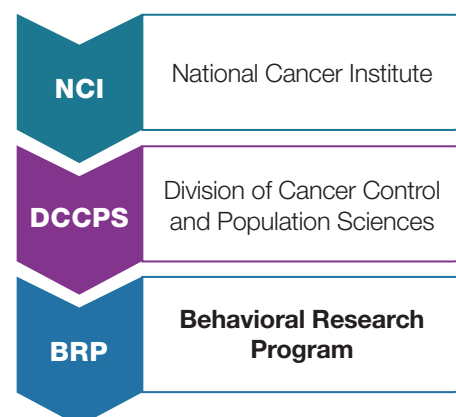
## About BRP

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.

## 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

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

...Behavioral Intervention Research for Cancer Prevention and Control  
PAR-16-278 (R21)

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...Studying Cancer Communication in the New Media Environment  
PAR-16-249 (R01) and PAR-16-248 (R21)

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Fundamental Mechanisms of Affective and Decisional Processes in Cancer Control  
PAR-16-380 (R01)  
Predicting Behavioral Responses to Population-Level Cancer Control Strategies  
PAR-16-257 (R21)

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Perception and Cognition Research to Inform Cancer Image Interpretation  
PAR-17-125 (R01) and PAR-17-124 (R21)

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... Smoking Cessation in Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Populations ...  
PAR-16-202 (R01) and PAR-16-201 (R21)

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Cancer-related Behavioral Research through Integrating Existing Data  
PAR-16-256 (R01) and PAR-16-255 (R21)

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Oral Anticancer Agents: Utilization, Adherence, and Health Care Delivery  
PA-17-060 (R01) and PA-17-061 (R21)

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Tobacco Use and HIV in Low and Middle Income Countries  
PAR-17-087 (R01) and PAR-17-086 (R21)

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Physical Activity and Weight Control Interventions Among Cancer Survivors...  
PAR-16-122 (R01) and PAR-16-123 (R21)

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U.S. Tobacco Control Policies to Reduce Health Disparities  
PAR-17-217 (R01) and PAR-17-218 (R21)

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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.

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## 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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