

# Behavioral Research Program (BRP)

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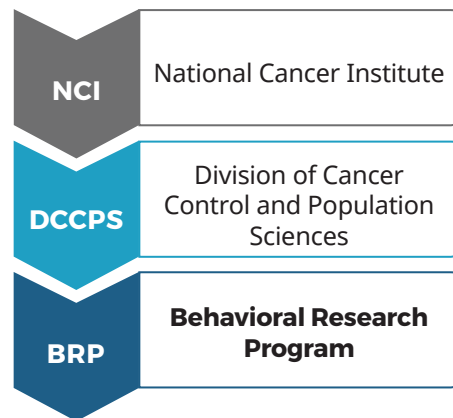
## About BRP

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-18-018 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Tanya Agurs-Collins collinsta@mail.nih.gov
...Studying Cancer Communication in the New Media Environment PAR-16-249 (R01) and PAR-16-248 (R21)	Contact: Kelly Blake kelly.blake@nih.gov
Fundamental Mechanisms of Affective and Decisional Processes in Cancer Control PAR-16-380 (R01)	Contact: Rebecca Ferrer rebecca.ferrer@nih.gov
Predicting Behavioral Responses to Population-Level Cancer Control Strategies PAR-18-024 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Rebecca Ferrer rebecca.ferrer@nih.gov
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
... Smoking Cessation in Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Populations ... PAR-18-251 (R01 Clinical Trial Optional) and PAR-18-250 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Yvonne Hunt huntytm@mail.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
Oral Anticancer Agents: Utilization, Adherence, and Health Care Delivery PA-18-004 (R01 Clinical Trial Optional) and PA-18-014 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Wendy Nelson wendy.nelson@nih.gov
Tobacco Use and HIV in Low and Middle Income Countries PAR-18-023 (R01 Clinical Trial Optional) and PAR-18-022 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Mark Parascandola mark.parascandola@nih.gov
Physical Activity and Weight Control Interventions Among Cancer Survivors... PAR-18-006 (R01 Clinical Trial Optional) and PAR-18-016 (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)	Contact: Frank Perna pernafm@mail.nih.gov
U.S. Tobacco Control Policies to Reduce Health Disparities PAR-17-217 (R01) and PAR-17-218 (R21)	Contact: Bob Vollinger bob.vollinger@mail.nih.gov

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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

- Classification of Laws Associated with School Students (CLASS)
- Cognitive, Affective, and Social Processes in Health Research (CASPHR) Workgroup
- 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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