Cancer-related Behavioral Research through Integrating Existing Data

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Agenda

- Background
- FOA Details
- Resources
- Questions
  - Questions about specific aims or grant application details will not be addressed
Background

Cancer-Related Behavioral Research through Integrating Existing Data
The Behavioral Research Program (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.

cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp
How we fund grants

- Although most of our portfolio consists of investigator-initiated (unsolicited) grants, BRP also supports grant applications in specific areas of interest
  - Requests for Applications (RFA)
    - Identifies the specific receipt date(s), the estimated amount of funds earmarked for the initiative, the number of awards likely to be funded, and any specific criteria for scientific peer review; applications received in response to a particular RFA are reviewed by an Institute’s Scientific Review Group
  - Program Announcements (PA)
    - Most PA applications are submitted with a standing receipt date and are reviewed with all other applications received at that time using standard peer-review processes
  - Program Announcement (PAR)
    - Program announcements with special receipt, referral, and/or review considerations
Grant mechanisms – R01 and R21

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<th>NIH Research Project Grant (R01)</th>
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<td>▪ Support a discrete, specified, and circumscribed research project</td>
<td>▪ Supports new, exploratory, and developmental research projects</td>
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<td>▪ Most commonly used grant program</td>
<td>▪ Sometimes used for pilot and feasibility studies</td>
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<td>▪ No specific dollar limit</td>
<td>▪ Preliminary studies are discouraged</td>
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<td>▪ Advance permission required for ≥$500K direct costs in any year</td>
<td>▪ Combined budget for direct costs for the two-year project period usually may not exceed $275,000</td>
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<td>▪ 3-5 years funding</td>
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For more information: grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/funding_program.htm#RSeries
FOA Details

Cancer-Related Behavioral Research through Integrating Existing Data
Background and purpose

- **Background** – New technology and methodologies allow for data integration and linkages not previously possible
  
  - Integrative Data Analysis (IDA) can be used to leverage data from existing sources (e.g., Health Information National Trends Survey, grantee data, funded cohorts/centers, healthdata.gov), and “big data” (e.g., social media, smartphones), to answer important research questions about behavioral risk factors for cancer such as weight management, tobacco use, screening and medication adherence

- **PAR Purpose** – Integrate two or more **existing**, independent data sets to answer **novel** cancer control and prevention questions related to **behavioral risk factors for cancer**
Research opportunities

- Combine multiple retrospective cohorts
- Assess small populations (e.g., LGBT, racial/ethnic subgroups)
- Study rare cancers (e.g., head and neck)
- Combine across diverse data sources - cells to society (e.g., melanoma risk by GIS and behavioral sun safety measures)
Requirements

- Data should be from **two or more independent data sets**, different sources and types, and should include at least **one source of behavioral data**
  - Behavioral data: observable behavior; knowledge; perceptions; attitudes; affect; environment
- Use **existing data sources** rather than collect new data
- OK to reuse **previously collected data** or data from colleagues
  - Data from previous grants repurposed
  - High quality pilot data
- Answer a **cancer-related behavioral research question** that **cannot be addressed** with one data set alone
Trans-disciplinary approach

Leverage disciplines

- Psychological science
- Genetics
- Biology
- Urban planning
- Consumer behavior and marketing
- Cultural anthropology
- Behavioral economics
- Geography
Example research questions

- How do personal attitudes toward vaccination and sexual behavior (as measured within parents, adolescents, and young adults) together with physician recommendations and accessibility to health care interact to influence HPV vaccination uptake?

- What biological, self-report, environmental, and policy factors explain trends in cancer incidence/mortality inequalities? What can be learned to inform behavioral interventions based on these data?
Application deadlines

- Please read the FOAs very carefully!
  - Subject to change – always check the NIH Guide

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- Letters of Intent are NOT required
- Start the process early! Allow time for registration in the System for Award Management, eRA Commons, and Grants.gov
Examples of Data Resources
Examples of relevant datasets

- Add-Health: National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health
  www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)
  www.cdc.gov/brfss/
- Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS)
  meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/
- Midlife Development in the United States (MIDUS)
  www.midus.wisc.edu/scopeofstudy.php
- National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)
  www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm
- National Health Interview survey (NHIS)
  www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm
- National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS)
  www.cdc.gov/tobacco/data_statistics/surveys/YTS/
Examples of other data resources

- Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
  
  [www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/](http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/)

- Healthdata.gov: [healthdata.gov/](http://healthdata.gov/)

- US Census data
  
  [www.census.gov/data.html](http://www.census.gov/data.html)

- HealthMeasures Dataverse
  

- Database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP)
  

- DRYAD
  
  [datadryad.org](http://datadryad.org)
Examples of NCI-supported data

- Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER)
  seer.cancer.gov/
- Classification of Laws Associated with School Students (CLASS)
  class.cancer.gov
- Food Attitudes and Behavior Survey (FAB)
  cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/hbrb/fab/
- Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS)
  hints.cancer.gov
- Tobacco Use Supplement to the Current Population Survey (TUS-CPS)
  appliedresearch.cancer.gov/tus-cps/
- Cancer Epidemiology Cohorts*
  epi.grants.cancer.gov/cohorts.html
- Family Life, Activity, Sun, Health, and Eating* (FLASHE)
  cancercontrol.cancer.gov/flashe

* These data resources require application and approval to obtain data; please see websites for more details
Examples of NCI-supported data: SEER-linked resources

- SEER-Medicare
  healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/seermedicare

- SEER-Medical Health Outcomes Survey (SEER-MHOS)
  healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/seer-mhos/

- SEER-Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (SEER-CAHPS)
  healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/seer-cahps/

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Resources

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Resources for new funding announcements

- Today’s webinar and list of FAQs (both leading up to and following the webinar) will be posted online:
  - cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpwebinars
  - There, you can also find links to FOAs and Program Director contact information
- Connect with any BRP staff member via contact information listed on:
  - cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpstaff
- Email questions to the Behavioral Research Program anytime at ncidccpsbrpadvances@mail.nih.gov
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