

# The Behavioral Research Program welcomes Letters of Interest for a scientific position in Tobacco Control Research

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The Behavioral Research Program (BRP) within the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS) welcomes letters of interest from researchers with training and experience in tobacco control and prevention to serve within the [Tobacco Control Research Branch \(TCRB\)](#).

## About TCRB

One of BRP's four extramural branches, TCRB leads and collaborates on research and disseminates evidence-based findings to prevent, treat, and control tobacco use in order to create a world free of tobacco use and related cancer and suffering. The branch also maintains a robust surveillance capacity through the administration of the Tobacco Use Supplement to the Current Population Survey ([TUS-CPS](#)) and publishes the NCI [Tobacco Control Monograph](#) Series.

The TCRB grant portfolio includes a wide range of innovative and diverse research examining both cigarette and non-cigarette tobacco products from investigators at domestic and international research institutions (e.g., [selected investigator profiles](#)). Scientific priority areas include tobacco control interventions at the individual and population levels; etiology, predictors, and determinants of tobacco use; tobacco cessation interventions; media and policy interventions to reduce tobacco use; tobacco-related health disparities; and global tobacco control. Additional research priorities are outlined on the [TCRB website](#). TCRB also has a leadership role in the [Tobacco Regulatory Science Program](#), an interagency partnership between the NIH and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) [Center for Tobacco Products](#).



NCI-Shady Grove in Rockville, Maryland

## Letters of Interest

Please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and two scientific publications to [ncidccpsbrpadvances@mail.nih.gov](mailto:ncidccpsbrpadvances@mail.nih.gov) by March 24, 2023. Use email subject line "TCRB Letter 2023."

For questions about the position, contact [Kristen Mangold](#), TCRB's Planning and Operations Manager.

## Position Description

BRP scientific staff are part of a scientifically energizing, collaborative, and collegial environment with ample opportunities to

- manage a portfolio of extramural research grants seeking to advance tobacco control;
- develop funding priorities to cultivate a diverse portfolio of NCI- and NIH-supported research;
- interact with the extramural community, particularly grantees and applicants, to encourage and secure the highest quality applications to tobacco control funding opportunities;
- develop national and international scientific programming (e.g., symposia, special journal issues and supplements, conferences, and workshops);
- participate in and lead trans-NIH and inter-agency tobacco control efforts;
- mentor post-doctoral research fellows and other trainees; and
- conduct research studies and publish and present at professional meetings.

## Qualifications

Researchers with an educational degree in fields related to tobacco control, including behavioral science, social science, clinical psychology, epidemiology, health services, health policy, medicine, public health, or related fields are encouraged to submit a letter of interest.

Individuals with experience in any relevant area of tobacco control research are welcomed, especially those with scientific expertise in tobacco cessation to complement existing expertise within the branch. Interest from individuals with expertise in mHealth interventions, interventions with populations who experience tobacco-related health disparities, measurement, and survey methodology and surveillance is also encouraged. A history of collaborative activities and strong writing skills are required, as is a track record of publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

DCCPS is deeply committed to building a diverse health sciences workforce that maintains, fosters, and promotes an equitable, inclusive, accessible, and nurturing work environment. Diverse teams foster scientific innovation, improve the quality of research, contribute their lived experiences to a robust learning environment, advance the likelihood that underserved and disadvantaged populations participate in and benefit from health research, and enhance public trust. To that end, DCCPS is seeking a dynamic candidate to serve as a highly valued member of TCRB and contribute to the larger field of cancer prevention and control.

Interested researchers are encouraged to explore the BRP and TCRB [online staff directories](#) and contact any of our staff members to learn more about tobacco control research at NCI.



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