



Collaborative Solutions to Reduce Health Disparities

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Since its establishment in 2007, Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) Translational Research Network (RTRN) has served to unite the member minority-serving research universities, colleges of pharmacy and veterinary medicine and medical schools under a common goal of conducting research to develop collaborative solutions for health disparities in communities impacted by high disease burden and poor access to health care.

Because no single individual or institution has all the knowledge, skills and resources needed to address the pressing health issues facing our nation, RTRN leverages the scientific expertise, technologies and innovations of its RCMI minority-serving research institutions to accelerate the delivery of solutions to address critical health problems, particularly health disparities.

This consortium, funded through the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), of the National Institutes of Health, seeks to accelerate the quality and pace of transformative research by unifying basic, clinical and behavioral scientists with community partners in an effort to tackle major health concerns that are prominent throughout communities across the country.

Vision

RTRN will lead health science innovation and transform clinical and translational research that focuses on reducing ethnic and geographic disparities in health.

Mission

RTRN's is to foster and support inter-institutional collaborations to maximally leverage resources and expertise across each member RCMI institution, enhancing the research capacity and accelerating the understanding, prevention and treatment of diseases, with a focus on those diseases that disproportionately affect underserved communities.

The Network has its benefits:

- Collaborative partnerships with diverse minority communities
- Biomedical and bio-behavioral scientists, clinical researchers, and professionals with expertise in biostatistics and bioinformatics
- Core research facilities with high-end instrumentation and technical experts to provide support
- Research laboratories and bio-repositories with unique scientific resources
- Seed funding for pilot research projects
- Standardized operating procedures for administrative, regulatory and ethical processes
- Comprehensive clinical study management and support
- Seamless Network-wide communication and technology support
- High security environment for data collection, management and storage
- Network-wide online and on-site training and professional development



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