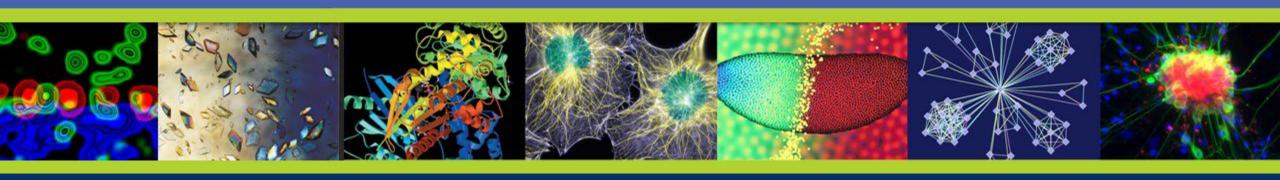




# IDeA Clinical Research Resource Center (I-CRRC) PAR-22-150

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# **Building Clinical Research Capacity: A Core Mission of the IDeA Program**

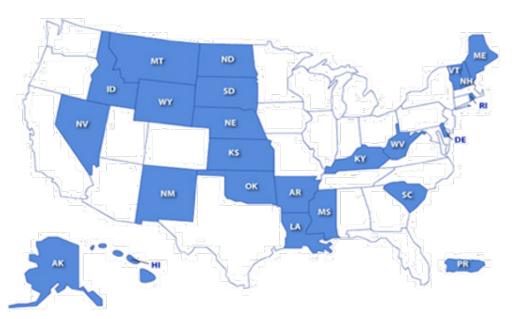
 Supporting infrastructure and human resources development to conduct clinical and translational research in IDeA states

Strengthening IDeA institutions and investigators' ability to develop competitive

clinical and translational research programs

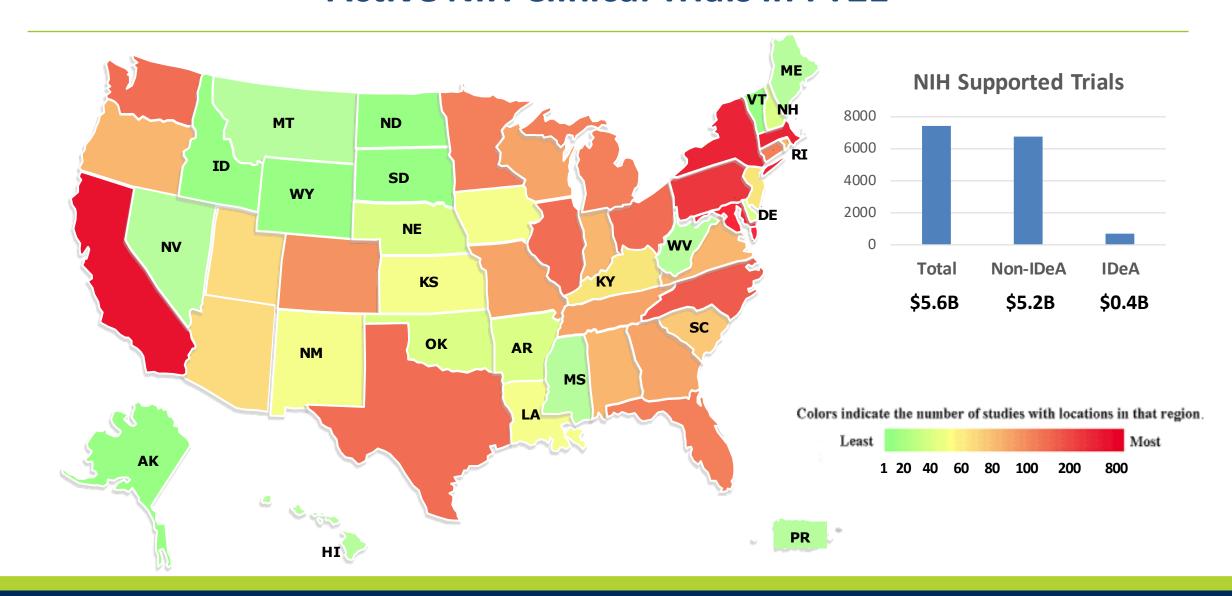
 Enabling clinical and translational research activities that address health conditions prevalent among IDeA state populations.

Strengthening clinical trial capacity in IDeA states is a pressing need

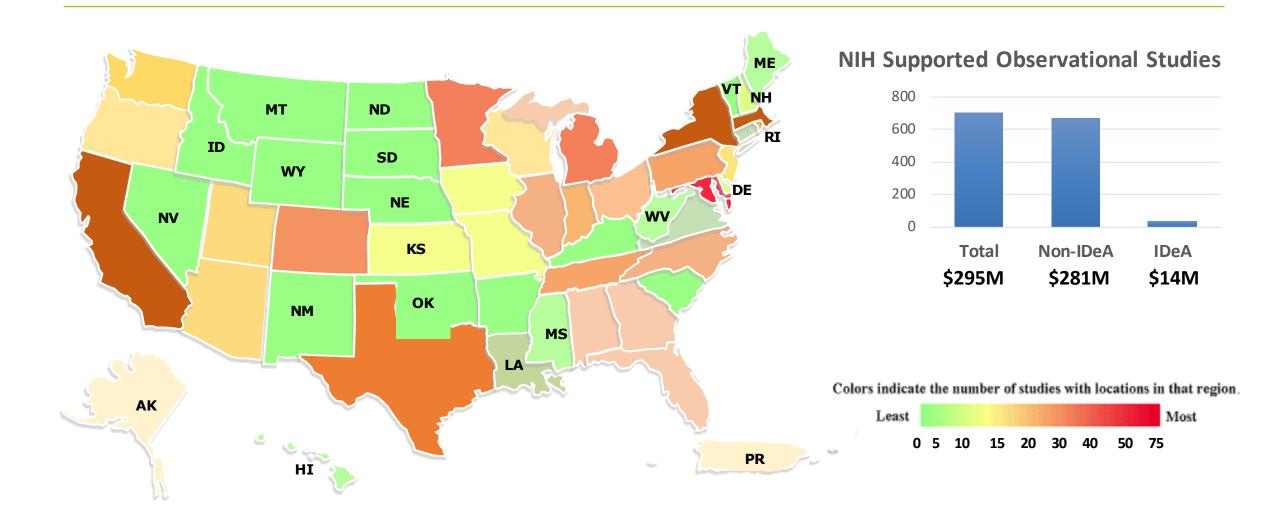




#### **Active NIH Clinical Trials in FY21**



#### **Active NIH Observational Studies in FY21**



# IDeA Clinical Research Resource Center (I-CRRC) to Address Two Key Barriers

- Lack of effective communication
  - IDeA institutions need to be better informed about ongoing/upcoming clinical trials and complex observational cohort studies and be welcomed to participate
  - Trial sponsors need to be better informed about available trial capacities in IDeA institutions so they can include trial sites in IDeA states

Lack of clinical trial workforce, especially clinical research coordinators

Hudson et al, 2005; Friedman et al., 2015; Hamel et al, 2016; Hillyer et al., 2020; Levit et al, 2020; Harrington et al., 2020

# I-CRRC: Components, Activities and Award

A Clinical Trial Service Core to strengthen communication and develop collaborations between clinical trial sponsors and IDeA institutions

A Clinical Research Coordinator Development Program to develop clinical research coordinators with the knowledge and skills needed to manage clinical trials and complex observational studies in IDeA states

An experienced and dedicated team to lead I-CRRC

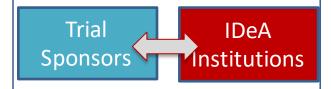
NIGMS plans to fund one 5-year award (~ \$1.8 million/yr Direct Costs)



#### **Clinical Trial Service Core**

# **Clinical Trial Service Core**

Collects & exchanges trial information and facilitates collaborations between sponsors and IDeA institutions



- Develop and maintain a trial inventory
- Develop and maintain an IDeA database of clinical expertise, capacities, patient catchment areas, and patient population characteristics of IDeA institutions
- Disseminate information to sponsors, Contract Research Organizations (CROs), and IDeA-state clinical researchers
- Proactively match sponsors/CROs with appropriate IDeA institutions
- Budget: approximately \$300,000/yr Direct Costs
  - Costs for trial inventory and IDeA database
  - Costs for activities to match and develop collaborations between sponsors and IDeA Institutions
  - Salary support for personnel



## **Clinical Research Coordinator Development Program**

**Clinical Research** Coordinator **Development Program** Level 1 Certificate Didactic, @ I-CRRC Level 2 institution Certificate Level 3 Immersive, Certificate @ IDeA-CTR Institutions

Participants:	Nurses and/or others involved in clinical care, non- physician health professionals with experience in clinical research and/or its administration
Duration and effort:	Up to two years; 75%
Didactic Component:	Knowledge to manage clinical studies (e.g., policies, billing, participant enrollment, data sharing). Including a syllabus in the application is encouraged
Immersive Component:	Hands-on experience in commuting distance; apply knowledge from didactic component
CRC Certificate(s):	Minimum of 1 didactic and 1 immersive module
Budget:	<ul> <li>*\$1.2 M/yr Direct Costs</li> <li>Didactic instructor's effort</li> <li>Immersive trial site trainers' effort</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Salary support for participants</li> </ul>



## I-CRRC: Grantee Institution, Governance, and Administration

- Grantee Institution: track record in conducting clinical trials/complex observational studies and related educational activities; experienced personnel and existing resources
- Governance: by a steering committee with diverse and balanced representation. Don't contact potential members prior to award, or name them in the application
- Administration: led by the PI(s) and key personnel (annual budget: ~\$300,000 DC)
  - PI(s): experienced in leading clinical trials/complex observational studies and programs with multiple stakeholders; knowledgeable about IDeA programs and institutions
  - Salary support for the PI(s) and key personnel
  - Administrative costs such as website development/maintenance and essential travel

#### **Key Dates**

• Letter of Intent Due Date: August 26, 2022

• Application Due Date: September 26, 2022

• Scientific Review: March 2023

Council Review: May 2023

• Earliest Start Date: July 2023

Read the FOA <u>PAR-22-150</u> — applications must be responsive and provide specific plans for the required activities

# Thank you!

# Please Type Questions into the Chat Box

Slides and Video (including the Q & A) will be posted on the I-CRRC Website