

# National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities



**NIH** National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities  
Advancing the Science of Minority Health and Health Disparities

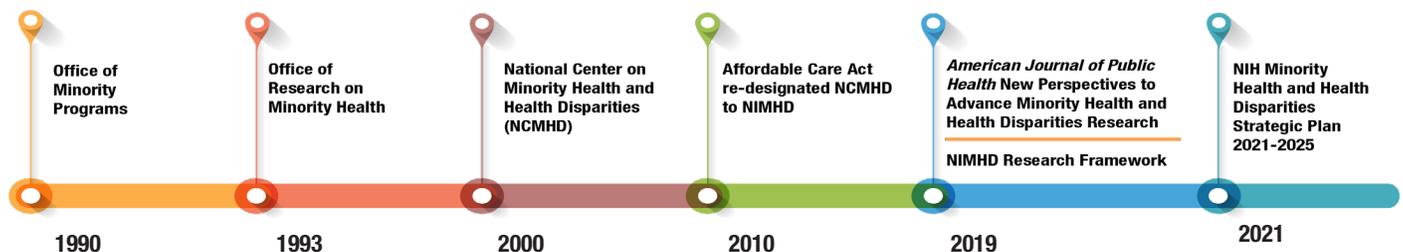
## Mission

NIMHD leads scientific research to improve minority health and reduce health disparities. To accomplish this, NIMHD plans, coordinates, reviews, and evaluates NIH minority health and health disparities research and activities; conducts and supports research in minority health and health disparities; promotes and supports the training of a diverse research workforce; translates and disseminates research information; and fosters innovative collaborations and partnerships.



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## History



### NIMHD Research Programs

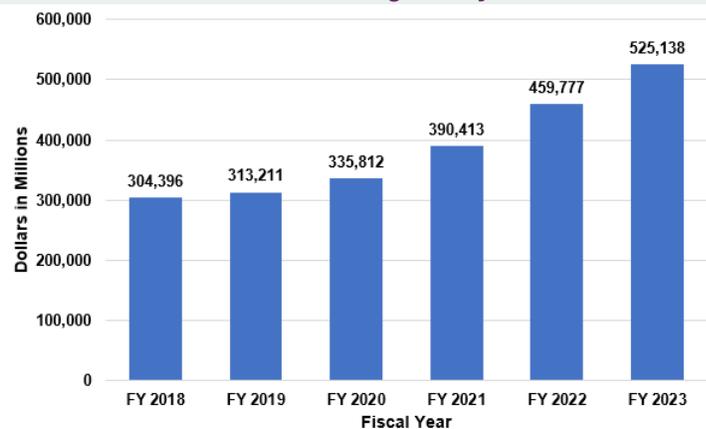
#### Extramural

- Integrative Biological and Behavioral Sciences
- Clinical and Health Services Research
- Community Health and Population Science

#### Intramural

- Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Epidemiology and Genetics
- Population and Community Health Sciences

### NIMHD Funding History



FY 2024 President's Budget: \$525,138,000

## NIMHD By the Numbers (FY2018-2022)

Total Awards	R01 Awards	Research Centers	Number of Principal Investigators	NIMHD Health Disparities Research Institute Scholars	Average Number of FTEs
2,822	468	86	1,462	403	72

## Research Highlights and Recent Accomplishments



**COVID-19 Health Disparities and Adverse Social Determinants of Health:** NIMHD leadership published an article presenting an exploratory conceptual framework to understand racial and ethnic COVID-19 disparities and social determinants of health (SDoH), while underscoring the impacts of structural racism and discrimination. Authors encourage future research on interventions that can reduce SDoH-associated disparities.



**COVID-19 and Diverse Populations:** NIMHD published a compendium of articles based on five surveys of populations disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic gives insights to inform community public health emergency preparedness efforts and improve pre-existing disparities among key populations.



**Life Expectancy by County, Race, and Ethnicity in the USA:** The first nation-wide analysis using national data at the county level from 2000-2019 brings researchers and public health leaders one step closer to understanding the burden of health disparities in their own local communities.

## Ongoing Activities

**Health Disparities Research Institute (HDRI)** provides career and training support for early-stage minority health and health disparities scientists from across the U.S. (pictured). More than 65 percent of scholars come from populations unrepresented in science.

**Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) program** expands the national capacity for health sciences research by supporting institutions that offer doctorate degrees in health-related science, have limited NIH research funding, and are committed to promoting biomedical workforce diversity and serving underrepresented communities. Currently, 14 Historically Black Colleges and Universities have RCMI grants.

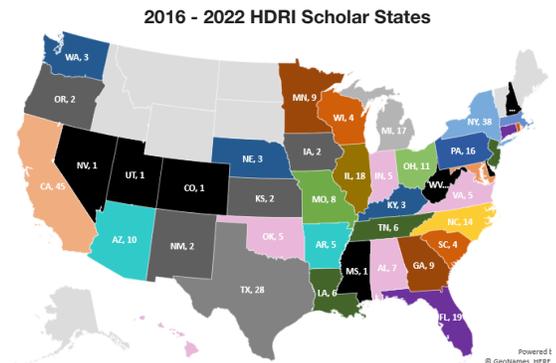
**The Multiple Chronic Disease Research Centers** support a collaborative of 11 research institutions and one research coordinating center across the nation, leveraging regional coalitions focused on testing interventions implemented in real-world settings to reduce chronic disease health disparities.

**The NIMHD Social Epigenomics Research program** has funded more than 30 projects on how social experiences affect our epigenome, or how our genes are expressed. Upcoming research advances and results will help address drivers of health disparities and inform the development of effective interventions.

## Future Initiatives

**The John Lewis NIMHD Research Endowment Program** will provide new opportunities to fund endowments through expanded eligibility of academic institutions due to the passage of the *John Lewis NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2021*.

**The Clinical Research Networks** will support disease-agnostic networks with a health equity research lens and implementation science approaches to promote minority health and reduce disparities in health care.



**The NIH Community Engagement Alliance Against COVID-19 Disparities (CEAL)** initiative provides trustworthy information through active community engagement and outreach to the communities most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**The RADx® Underserved Populations (RADx-UP) Initiative** published a special issue in the *American Journal of Public Health* highlighting peer-reviewed research on interventions to promote SARS-CoV-2 testing and studies on social, behavioral, and ethical issues impacting underserved populations.