The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is the nation’s primary medical research agency, supporting research efforts in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Its mission is to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce the burdens of illness and disability.

$153 million in NIH funding
24 NIH-funded institutions
386 NIH grants awarded
5 Congressional districts with NIH grants

NIH Funding Improves Health in Kentucky

The University of Kentucky is home to an NCI-designated cancer center.

Kentucky institutions hold seven active Institutional Development Award (IDeA) grants.

31 NIH-supported clinical trials were initiated at Kentucky institutions in FY 2014.²

INVESTMENT IN NIH RESEARCH BENEFITS THE KENTUCKY ECONOMY

Kentucky institutions received $2.9 million in NIH grants in FY 2014 to train the next generation of innovative scientists.¹

A total of 19 Kentucky businesses received NIH funding totaling $17 million for the research and development of technologies with potential commercial applications.³

Kentucky is home to 972 bioscience business establishments. In 2012, residents held 11,405 bioscience industry jobs, and the average annual wage in the bioscience sector was $24,580 higher than the private sector overall.³