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.

NIH Funding Improves Health in Maine

- Jackson Laboratory is home to an NCI-designated cancer center.
- Maine institutions hold five active Institutional Development Award (IDeA) grants.
- 25 NIH-supported clinical trials were initiated at Maine institutions in FY 2014.²

INVESTMENT IN NIH RESEARCH BENEFITS THE MAINE ECONOMY

- Maine institutions received more than $400,000 in NIH grants in FY 2014 to train the next generation of innovative scientists.¹
- Maine is home to 225 bioscience business establishments. In 2012, residents held 6,177 bioscience industry jobs, and the average annual wage in the bioscience sector was $24,213 higher than the private sector overall.³